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CHINESE TROOPS BURST INTO SETTLEMENT.

China to Fight: Nanking Rushing Large Reinforcements to Defend Shanghai.

BRITISH COMPANY S.V.C. REPULSE ATTACK.

SHELL BURSTS AT A SCHOOL HOSTEL.

VIVID STORY BY OUR CORRESPONDENT.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 29.

THE BATTLE OF CHAPEI will be remembered by every Shanghai resident to his dying day. Fifteen hundred Japanese marines and blue jackets were engaged in the operation, and the din of rifle-fire and crash of bombs after four o'clock, soon roused the few people in the Settlement who ventured to go to bed.

Most of the Chinese forces had apparently voluntarily withdrawn after the warning of the intended action had been given by the Japanese commander. The tragedy would have less terrible, but for the fact that the Chinese left behind numerous snipers, and the dislodging to them resulted in immense damage to property.

START OF THE FIGHTING.

The actual fighting started in the Jukong Road, where armoured cars, leading the advance and followed by infantry at the double with fixed bayonets, encountered nests of snipers. The Japanese replied with machine-guns, sweeping the streets and buildings, causing considerable damage. There were heavy casualties on both sides.

The "A" Company of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, which was posted near the Range Road blockhouse, were fired upon in the early hours of the morning by a large body of Chinese troops retiring before the Japanese onslaught.

The Shanghai Volunteers silenced their attackers with deadly fire from their Lewis guns.

About four o'clock, when aeroplanes were droning overhead dropping bombs, a fire broke out about a mile from the North Railway Station. It spread with appalling rapidity and is now threatening the entire native area.

PANIC AMONG TRAPPED CIVILIANS.

The sweeping flames, accentuated by the rattle of machine-guns, has created panic among the trapped civilians, who are unable to leave their homes because of the peril of being shot down.

No effort is being made to quell the blaze, which continues to spread.

The Japanese troops at eight this morning appeared to be in complete charge of a wide territory, bordered by Range Road, North Szechuen Road, Paoshan Road and Wonglo Road.

At 10.30 last night, the Japanese warships bombarded Woosung Forts. The Chinese replied strongly. The Japanese silenced them and early this morning, it is believed, a landing party was sent ashore and is occupying the Forts.

Japanese planes were still roaring over the native areas this morning, and further aerial attacks are expected. Verey lights were fired by the Japanese just before daybreak to light up the town.

SHELL BURSTS IN SETTLEMENT SCHOOL.

Later.

It has been ascertained that the Japanese have lost eight men killed and 120 wounded.

It is rumoured that four hundred Chinese have been killed and seven hundred wounded.

Snipers have been active all the morning in the vicinity of the North Railway Station.

A shell burst at the Thomas Hanbury Public School hostel this morning. The windows were shattered and a small boy received cheek abrasions. The children were immediately ordered home.

REINFORCEMENTS BEING LANDED.

Chinese troops at Lunghua are reported to be moving to counter-attack the Japanese, who are reported to be landing 15,000 additional troops this afternoon. Hundreds of Japanese volunteers are doing relief work with medicine kits in North Szechuan Road and the Dixwell Road areas.

The Armoured Car Company of the Volunteers, under the command of Captain Newton, patrolled the Settlement streets throughout the night.

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

It is reliably learned that there is no truth in the report that Japanese warships bombarded Woosung Forts last night.—*Reuter.*

Our pictures show the Japanese cruiser Yubari, which arrived in Shanghai yesterday morning with marine reinforcements, and inset, the aircraft-carrier, Notoro, whose manchines were responsible for the bombardment of Chapei.

HOW THE TRAGIC IMBROGLIO DEVELOPED.

CHAPEI IN FLAMES: HEAVILY BOMBED: NIGHT OF HORROR.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 29.

INSTITUTING A VIRTUAL reign of terror, Japanese forces swooped down upon Chapei in the early hours of this morning. Fighting was still proceeding at dawn. Aeroplanes heavily bombed the scenes of battle at intervals, and a tremendous fire has been started, which is sweeping through building after building.

Chapei's night of horror had not ended at dawn; fighting was still going on while half a million Chinese inhabitants were crouched, sleepless, behind roughly barricaded doors, while deadly fire from Japanese machine-guns and rifles were sweeping every street and every alley-way.

There is grave reason to fear that many innocent civilians are among the many Chinese casualties.

At twenty-five minutes past four the Japanese commander-in-chief issued a command for the bombardment of part of Chapei byaeroplanes as, at one point the district, the Japanese marines were being sorely harassed by a large nest of Chinese soldiers, who were offering a stiff resistance.

Within five minutes of the issue of the order, a squadron of seaplanes from the aircraft-carrier, Notoro, which is lying in the Whangpoo River in readiness for action of this kind, rose into the pitch-blackness of the night and roared across the Settlement to Chapei, from which came, within a few moments, the terrific detonations of exploding bombs.

Some minutes previously fire had shown itself in Chapei and this quickly grew into tremendous dimensions, lighting up the moonless and starless night with

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INVASION OF WESTERN DISTRICT.

VOLUNTEERS RUSHED TO ASSIST REGULAR FORCES.

Shanghai, Jan. 29, 12.23 p.m.

Chinese troops have broken into the Western residential district of the International Settlement.

The Shanghai Volunteers have been called into action in support of the regulars in order to protect the Settlement border.

The Japanese are at present preparing to launch an attack on the Shanghai North Station, which they captured without resistance during the night but were later forced to abandon because of the pressure on another detachment.—*Reuter.*

STRONG PROTEST LODGED.

UNWARRANTED AND ILLEGAL.

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

A STRONG PROTEST against the Japanese attack on Chinese territory has been lodged with the Japanese authorities by Mr. Wu Tieh-chen, the Mayor of Greater Shanghai.

The protest stated that in view of the Chinese acceptance of the Japanese demands and the assurance received from the Japanese Consul-General, the Mayor was greatly surprised when he received a proclamation from Admiral Shiosawa announcing the intention to take military action in Chinese territory.

The protest is believed to characterise the Japanese action as unwarranted and illegal.—*Reuter*

We are advised by the Postmaster General that the despatch of mails by the Siberian route may be discontinued at any moment, without further notice. In that event, mails will be despatched via Suez unless or until better arrangements can be made.

For the moment, the use of the Suez route is strongly advised.

JAPAN'S BREACH OF FAITH.

AMERICAN CONSUL CRITICAL.

STUBBORN RESISTANCE BY CHINESE.

Shanghai, Jan. 29, 10.35 a.m.

Heavy rifle fire and the rattle of machine-guns continues in Chapei, where the Japanese are apparently held up by the desperate resistance of General Chan Ming-shu's 78th Division.

It is learned that six Japanese aeroplanes were employed early this morning to bomb the Markham Road junction, apparently with the object of preventing the Chinese forces from Western Shanghai and Lunghua reinforcing the Chinese forces now holding Chapei.

12.01 p.m.

Firing in Chapei is now dying down.

Both the Chinese and Japanese forces are feverishly strengthening their positions, constructing sandbag barricades.

The Japanese appear to be realising that in the face of the resistance, the Japanese forces are too small for the job, and there appeared to be a likelihood of a lull, pending the arrival of reinforcements from Japan.

PLANES IN A MIST.

Meanwhile, Japanese planes are cruising overhead, apparently waiting for an unusually dense Scotch mist to clear off before resuming their dropping of bombs upon Chapei and the Shangnai-Nanking Railway in the vicinity of the North Station.

The United States Consul-General, Mr. A. Cunningham, who is the doyen of the Consular Body, this morning animadverted on the Japanese breach of faith, inasmuch as the Japanese authorities declared yesterday morning that the Japanese forces would not move on Thursday or Friday.

So far, the fighting has been restricted to the Chapei area. Western Shanghai, the Kiangnan Arsenal and the Chinese City are very quiet.

A further dozen Japanese destroyers are reported to have passed Guzlaff in the Yangtsze Estuary this morning.—*Reuter.*

Tokyo, Jan. 29.

The cruiser Tatsuta, together with four destroyers, left Sasebo, with a landing force of bluejackets, for Shanghai this morning.—*Reuter.*

AN AMAZING SPECTACLE.

Shanghai, Jan. 29. 1.55 p.m.

Shanghai presents an amazing spectacle. The roofs of the various skyscrapers are crowded with Chinese and foreigners watching the Japanese aeroplanes continually dropping bombs on Chapei, where a tremendous conflagration is still raging unchecked.

The bombing has been going on for six hours, the Chinese being entirely unable to stop it.—*Reuter.*

CHINA MAKES DECISION TO RESIST.

HUNDREDS OF TROOPS LEAVE FOR SHANGHAI IN HIGH SPIRITS.

Nanking, Jan. 29.

It is now evident that China will resist the Japanese advance in Shanghai.

In addition to the balance of the 19th Cantonese Army (General Chan Ming-shu's troops), which is now in the Nanking Area, the Third Division of the National Guards has been mobilised and has entrained for Shanghai.

The troops are in high spirits. They trotted to the railway station, shouting patriotic slogans. Onlookers gave them a rousing send-off.—*Reuter.*

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THE OCCUPATION OF CHAPEI.

EVENTS WHICH LED TO FIGHTING.

AMERICAN ANXIETY.

Shanghai, 11.15 p.m.

Although the Chinese have acceded to the Japanese demands, the Japanese Admiral Shiosawa has decided to occupy Chapei to-night.

It is learned authoritatively that orders have been issued to the Japanese Marines to move at midnight. For the present an occupation party 1,000 strong is standing by in motor trucks.

Admiral Shiosawa is reported to have stated:—"The Japanese Navy has decided to distribute the naval forces in Chapei district in order to maintain peace and order."

The British and American forces and volunteers are patrolling the sections of the Settlement allotted to them by Brigadier Fleming for the maintenance of peace and order. *Reuter.*

Japanese Warships Arrive.

Shanghai, Jan. 28.

A flotilla of twelve Japanese destroyers and the cruiser Rubari, the latter carrying a landing party of 510, arrived at six this morning.

A Chinese well known in Japanese circles called on Mr. Murai this morning and informed the Consul that Mr. Wu Tieh-chen was accepting the Japanese demands. He declared that a formal reply would be handed to Mr. Murai this afternoon, the time not being mentioned. *Reuter.*

Naval Threat.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

The Navy Office issuing a statement regarding the despatch of further warships to Shanghai, stresses that the prolonged anti-Japanese movement in China really amounts to warfare without arms.

The statement declares that if China fails to heed the warning the Navy will be compelled to take adequate steps to protect Japanese lives and interests as Japanese patience is exhausted.—*Reuter.*

Action To-day.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 5.52 p.m.

The Japanese forces, it is believed, will act early to-morrow morning when a monster aeroplane demonstration is expected to take place. Military manoeuvres are planned for to-night.

The latest Japanese demand is that Chinese troops be removed 30 li from Shanghai.

The Chinese reply to the Japanese ultimatum is considered unsatisfactory.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Threat by Chinese Troops.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 6.57 p.m.

The Municipal Council has declared a state of emergency in Shanghai. It is learned that this, and the mobilisation of the Volunteers, is due to a threat by Chinese troops, outside the Settlement, to bombard Shanghai.

It is reliably estimated that there are now 24,000 Chinese troops on the Settlement borders, and their possible actions are causing anxiety. It is hoped that they will peacefully withdraw, but as they are somewhat out of hand this seems unlikely, and therefore the question for decision now is, shall the Japanese clear them off or shall this devolve jointly on the Japanese, British, American and other troops stationed here.—*Reuter.*

Tension at Nanking.

Nanking, Jan. 28.

The tenseness of Sino-Japanese relations is indicated by an official announcement at the Japanese Consulate to-day that the entire consulate staff is evacuating Nanking to-day and boarding a Japanese warship lying off Hsiakuan. *Reuter.*

Merely a Precaution.

Nanking, Jan. 28.

The Japanese Consul says that the withdrawal of the Consulate staff to a warship is a purely precautionary measure, so as to avoid possible incident, such as an attack by radical elements on the Consulate.

He added that the staff were temporarily on the warship, and would be transferred to a steamer, one being sent for that purpose, and the Consulate business would be carried on from the steamer. *Reuter.*

Volunteers Mobilise.

Shanghai, Jan. 28.

In view of the tense situation existing here, the Shanghai Volunteer Corps was mobilised at 3.30 this afternoon. *Reuter.*

Troops for Defence.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 5.52 p.m.

The Shanghai Municipal Council at 4 p.m. officially requested the senior Consul to arrange for the landing of International forces for the internal defence of the Settlement.

The Shanghai Volunteers and the police have been mobilised. Brigadier General Fleming, who is commanding the defence, has established his headquarters in the Administration Building.

Barricades have been erected and a curfew order is anticipated. *Our Own Correspondent.*

Settlement Like, Armed Camp.

Shanghai, 7.5 p.m.

Within a few hours this afternoon, the Shanghai Settlement assumed the likeness of an armed camp. When the mobilisation call came to the Volunteers they streamed by hundreds through the streets, leaving their office desks and buttoning on their tunics as they ran. They have now assembled at the race course, complete with armoured cars, machine-gun units and artillery, ready for any emergency.

Cantonese Troops.

The troops on the Settlement borders are mainly Cantonese, belonging to Chen Ming-shu.

The Municipal Council in a statement, appeals for voluntary services by able-bodied citizens, and declares that the Volunteer Corps is not the only organisation needing man power, and personnel are required for the special police, as transport drivers, in the administration of food control, etc, etc.

A tense atmosphere prevails, with a full force of police patrolling, and the streets full of steel-helmeted, khaki figures.—*Reuter.*

The Defence Sectors.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 7.22 p.m.

The Settlement defence authorities are moving quickly to prevent possible disorders, following any action which either the Chinese or Japanese may take.

All sectors will be guarded. The British troops will take over the Hungjao defence lines, and the Americans the Avenue Haig and Soochow Creek lines, while the Japanese are now guarding the Hongkew sector and Yangtsepoo areas.

The French forces in the French concession are actively co-operating with the authorities of the Settlement.

American, British and French warships are taking precautionary measures, all leave passes being withdrawn and the men having orders to stand by.—*Reuter.*

Foreign Concern.

London, Jan. 27.

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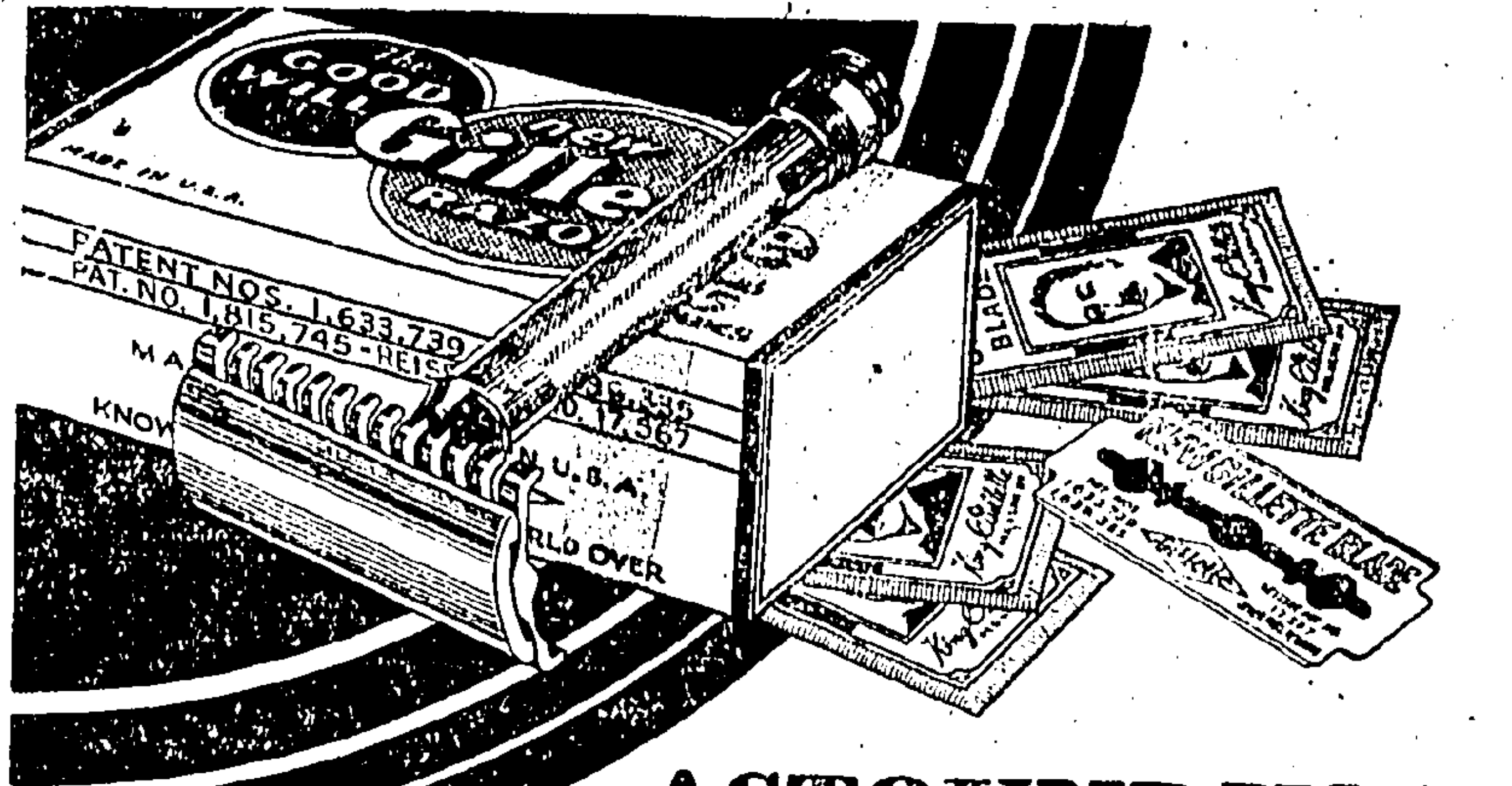

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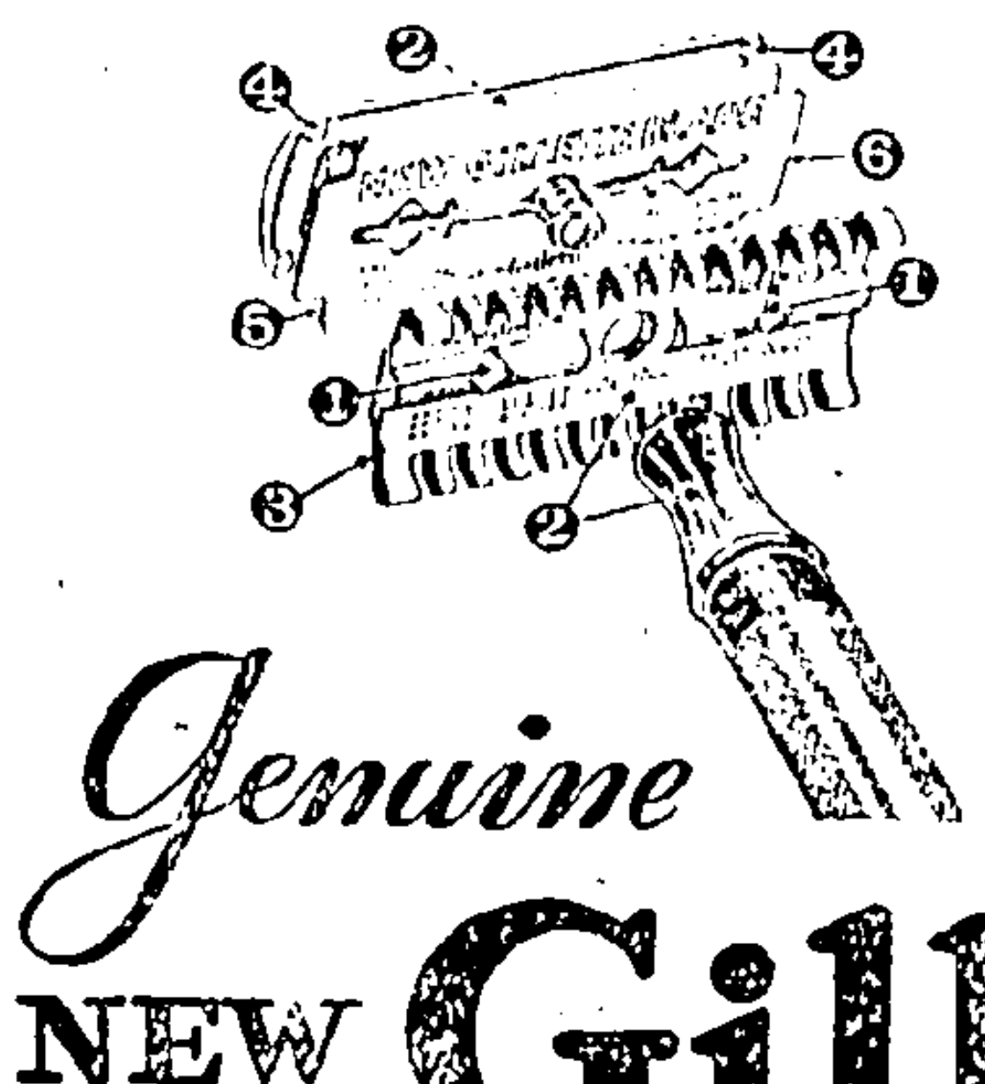

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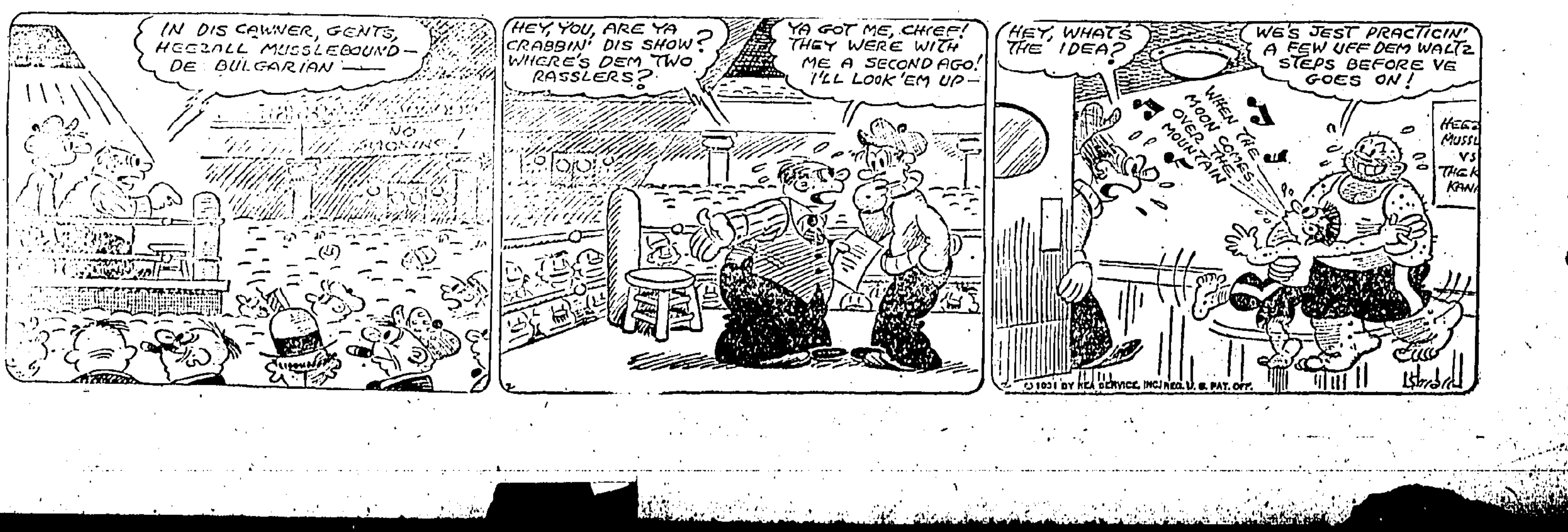

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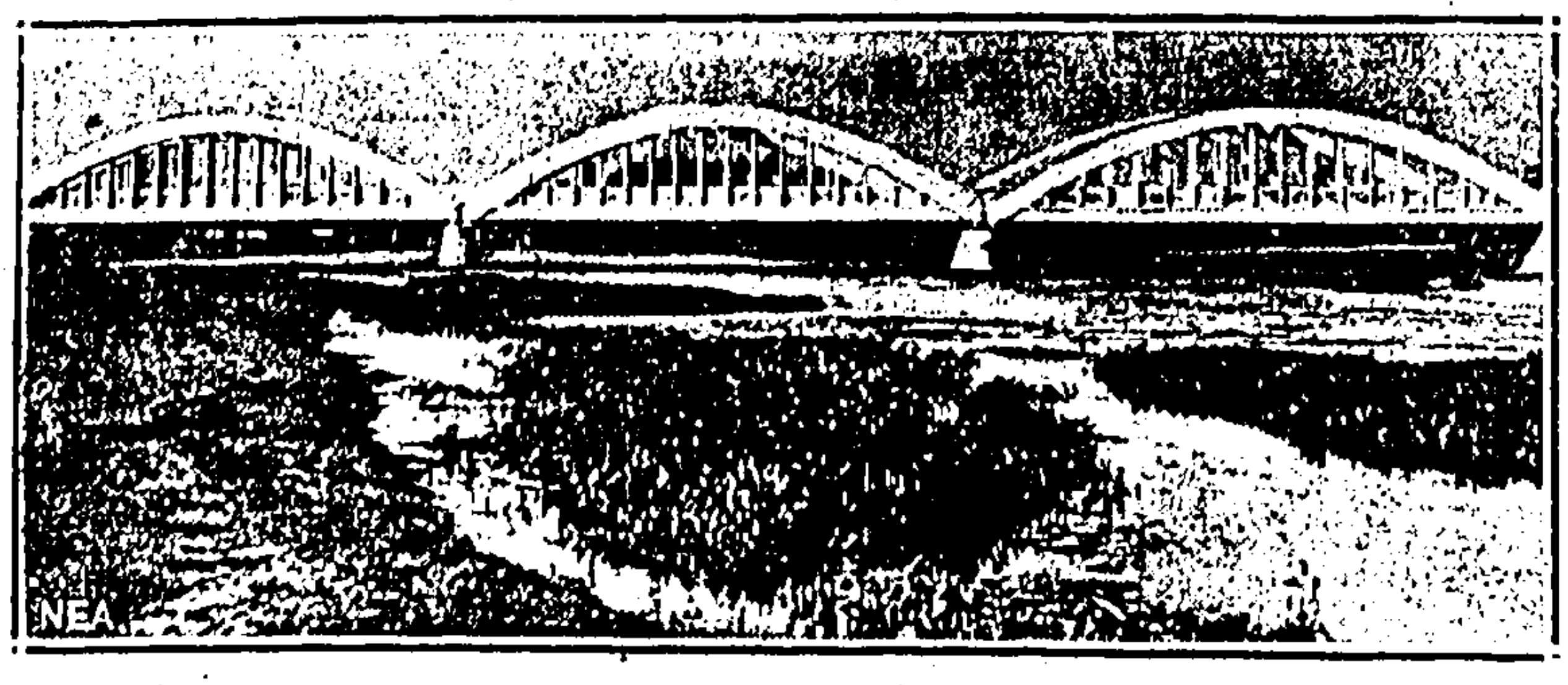
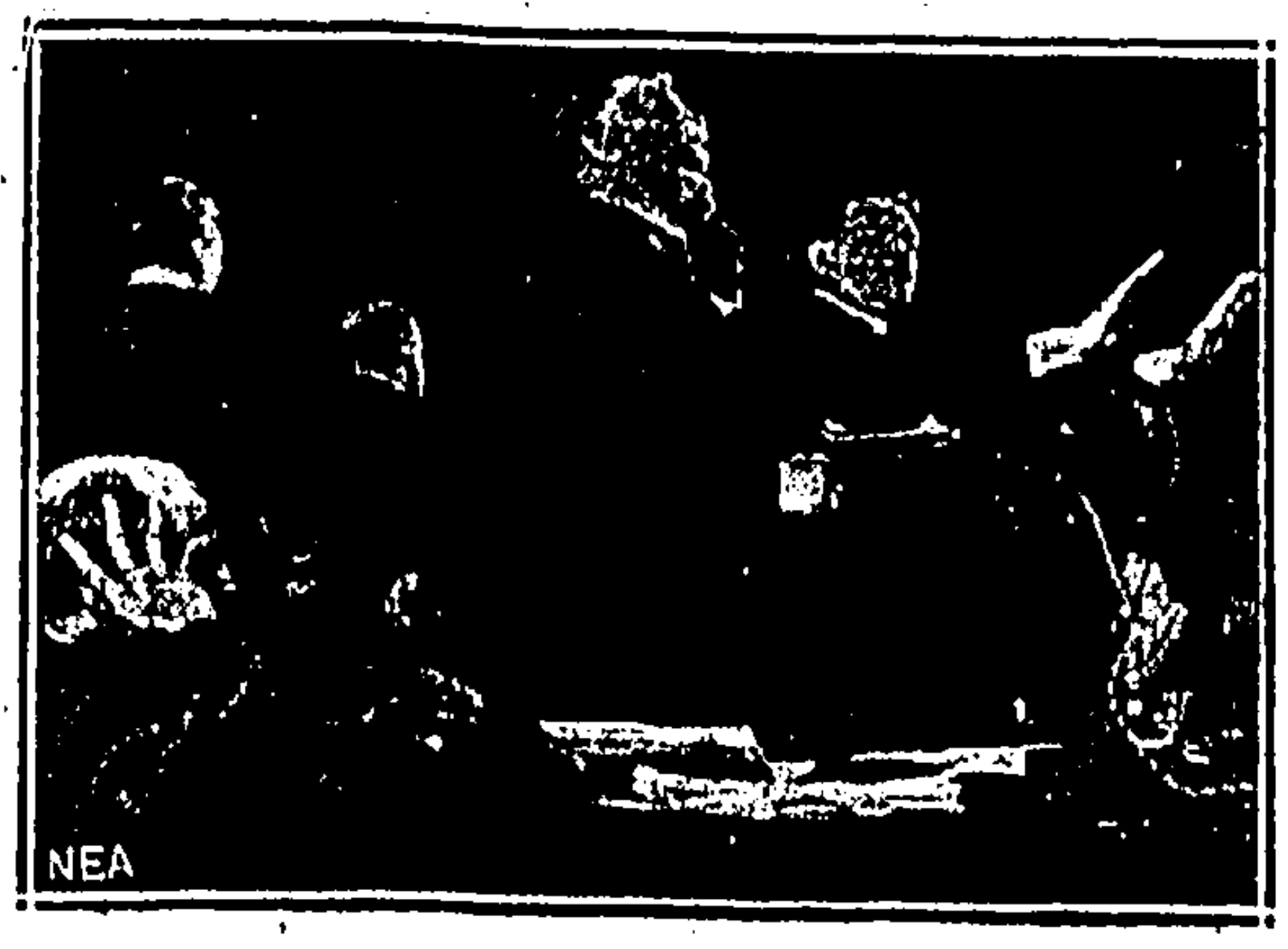
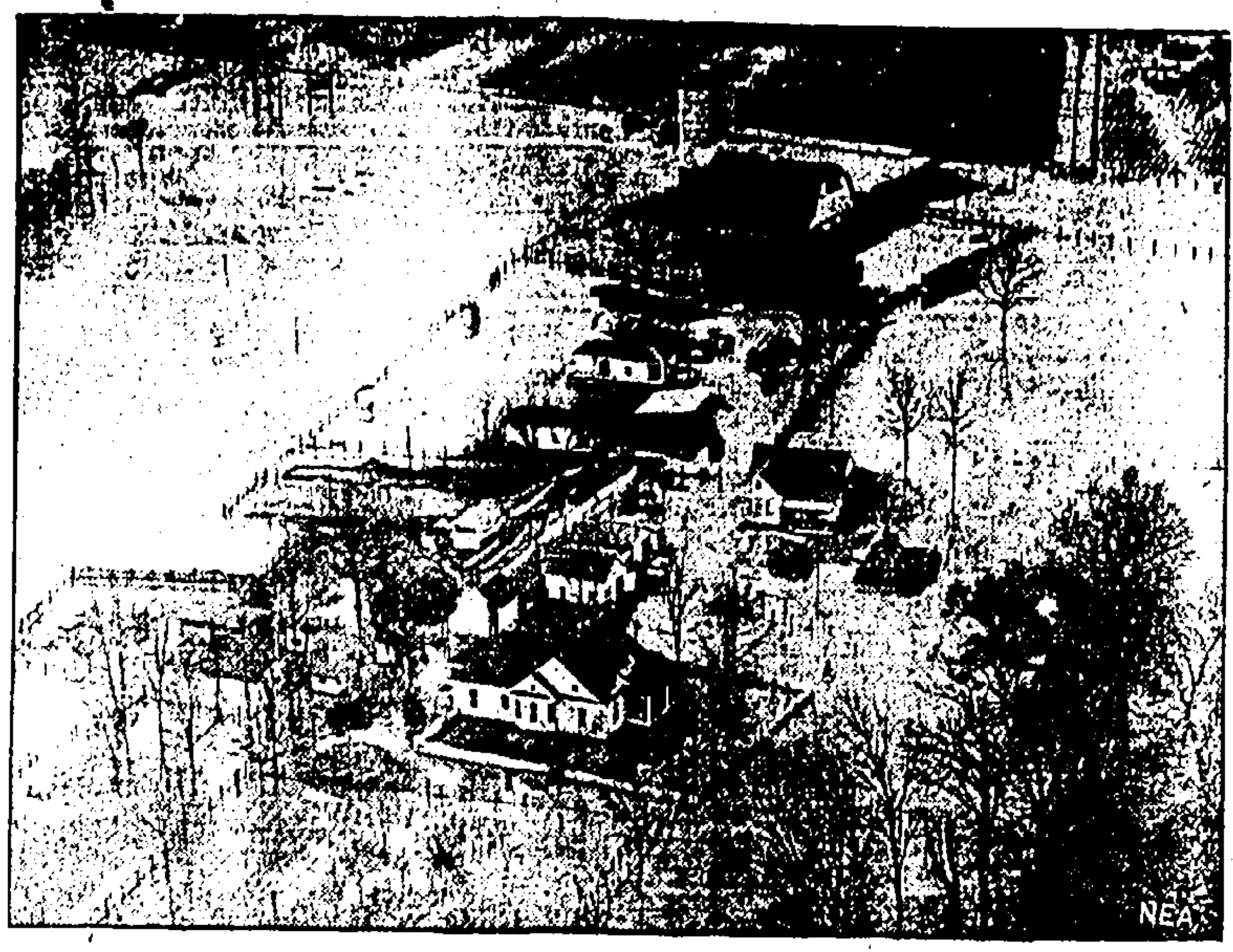


This new bridge, across the Buyra river in Poland, has become an object of interest to the whole scientific world. For although it was built of steel, there is not a single rivet in it. By a special process, all parts have been welded together in a solid piece.

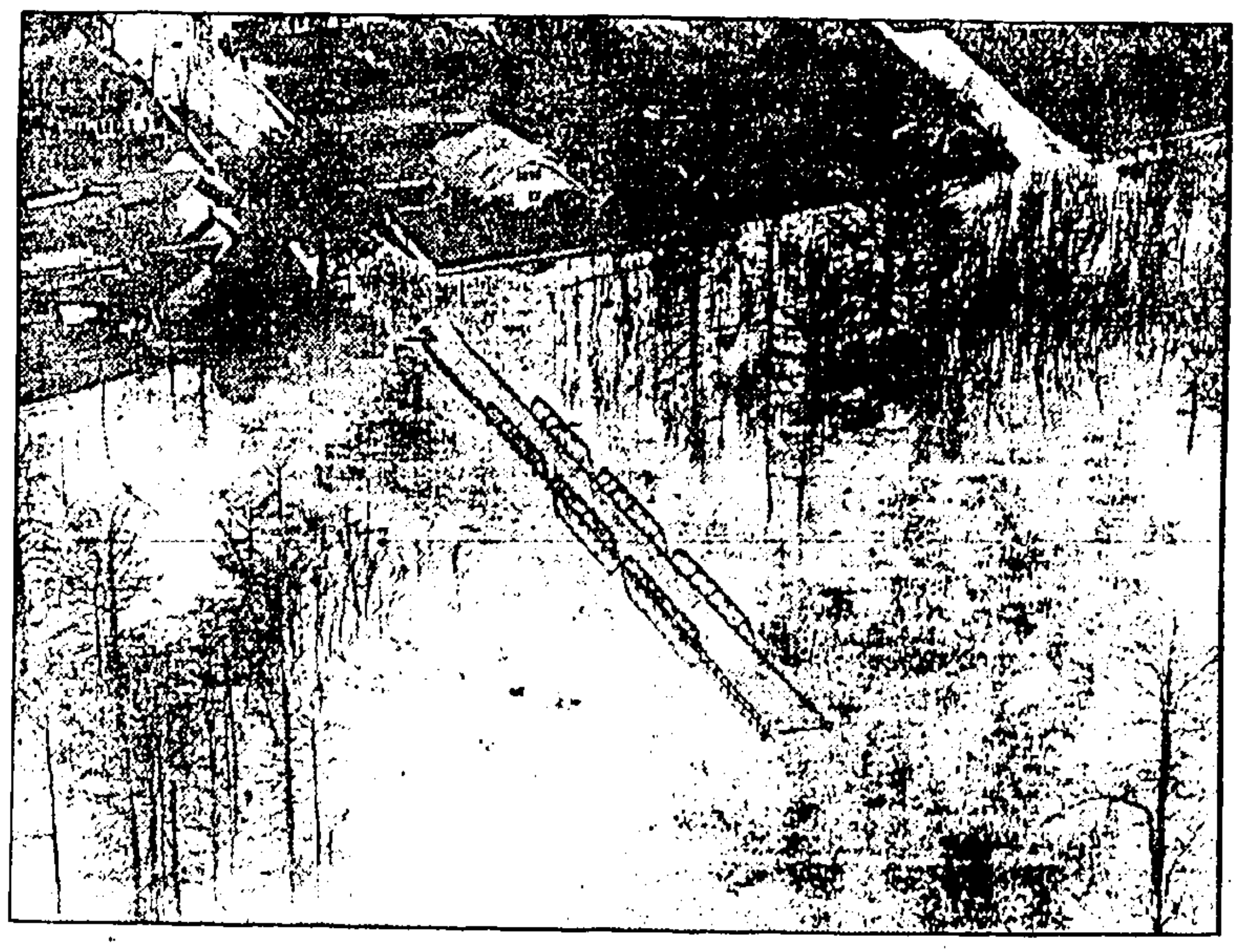


M. Edouard Herriot (right) endeavouring to maintain order at a mass meeting in Paris in the interests of world disarmament.

Behind the coating of ice are the rigging and masts of the fishing schooner Magellan, as she appeared on returning to port the other day, after a trip to the fishing banks.



The flooded Tallahatchie river in Mississippi has made the picture above a common scene in the northwestern part of the state. It shows a farm between Batesville and Glendora, completely isolated except by boat.



This air view of one of the principal highways into Glenodra, shows how 300 persons in the little town were marooned. The overflow of the Tallahatchie river blocked this bridge and other avenues of escape.

Gems of Peril

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CHAPTER XLII

As Mary stood shivering with dread, uncertain what to do, she heard the sound of oarlocks and the bump of a boat as it hit against the suspended gangway. Picking up her skirts she ran along the deck, and almost fell into the arms of Bates, coming up the gangplank. She could have kissed him.

"Oh, Bates, I'm scared! The Fly is aboard," she whispered, "as my guest, and I think he's prowling around after the rubies. I just came out on deck and someone ran from near Mr. Jupiter's door. I told him Mr. Jupiter had them!"

"Stay here," Bates commanded. He unbuttoned his coat and loosened the revolver from its holster under his arm. Staying in the shadow of the upper deck he moved quietly along the bulk-head. She saw him stop and test Mr. Jupiter's door, then disappear around the corner where the shadowy figure had run but two minutes before.

The seconds passed like hours as Mary leaned back against the wall, straining her ears to catch every sound. Then Bates reappeared so noiselessly that he startled her.

"All serene," he reported. "The old man's door is locked and The Fly is back in his stateroom—three, isn't it?" Mary said "Yes." "I heard him moving around and there's a light under the door. You run along to bed now and old Henry Q. Bates will take care of things. I'll camp right up there on the upper deck in a chair where I can see both your stateroom door and Mr. Jupiter's. Run along, and pleasant dreams."

Mary wrung his hand. "Bates, you're a darling!"

"Sure I am. But listen, what's the programme now? We didn't find a thing in De Loma's room. Not a thing. Had to tear up carpets and everything. That's what took me so long. You didn't worry, did you? Anyhow, your necklace is safe—right here in old Bates' pocket." He reached into a capacious inner pocket, and drew out the rolled up bundle of napkin—unfolded it bit by bit in his palm, saw that it was empty. A horrible, puzzled expression froze on his face.

"It's gone!" he gasped. It was like the last croak of a dying man.

"Do you mean to say you didn't know that, until now?" Mary cried. "You picked up an empty napkin. I've got the necklace. It's in Mr. Jupiter's safe."

Devoutly, Bates ejaculated "Oh, my God!" His arms fell limply at his sides.

"Well, how did you—what did you—did you have any trouble—?" he faltered, overcome with shame.

"Plenty! I got back with it, but my hair's snow white. Tell you all about it in the morning. Now don't you fret—it wasn't your fault!" It was her turn to pat his shoulder reassuringly. To help him out, she changed the subject.

"Can we get under way at once? Did you see Bruce and the Countess anywhere?"

"They're on the pier—the kid's gone back for them now. By the way, here's something your fat friend sent you. He was sitting on the dock waiting when I came up—he wouldn't give it to the sailor."

He handed Mary a thick envelope. Curious, she took it to her room.

A single sheet of note paper held the words "Here's the dope. Keep these. I stole 'em out of the morgue, and I've got to return 'em. But I couldn't resist telling you the good news."

There were clippings, yellowed, ringed about the word "De Loma" with a blue pencil and stamped on each clipping was a date—the date of its appearance in a Miami paper. The clippings, read in chronological order, gave the newspaper account of the doings of the celebrated French actress, Louise De Loma, on board a Havana line steamship way back in the year 1924. The steamship line and all other parties concerned had evidently succeeded in hushing up the matter pretty thoroughly, but enough had leaked out through the excited tales of fellow-passengers to show up the lady as an adventuress of an old, familiar type. She was not deported, but evidently she had been only too happy to accept the hint of Miamai police officials and return to Havana immediately.

At any rate, she went—threatening that her husband would sue. There was no record in the clippings of any suit being brought.

Mary put the clippings back in the envelope, and laid it under her pillow. Good old George Bowen—to give her this to sleep on! She went to the porthole and looked upward. There, on the sun deck, as he had promised, she could see Bates' dark figure in its steamer chair, silhouetted against the lighter sky. She felt as though she had dropped a heavy burden from her shoulders.

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The sun was shining in her stateroom porthole when she awoke. Mary stretched, easing her cramped muscles. She had been so exhausted that she had slept without moving. With the action, vitality rushed back into her refreshed young body, and she bounded out of bed, pushing her hair out of her eyes.

She looked like a slim boy in her rumpled silk pyjamas as she ran to the porthole and peered out. Bates had vanished from his post long since. Far off on the horizon line was something that might be either clouds or land, but in between was sea, a calm expanse with only here and there a whitecap to break the blue-green, mirror-like surface.

There was an occasional roll of the ship as it was caught by a half-sea, and a slight quiver of the deck as the powerful engines drove them through the Atlantic at 15 knots. It was such a glorious morning, and she felt so invigorated by her night's sleep that the events of the night before retreated to the back of her mind like a bad dream.

Anything was possible—any nice thing, that is—on a day like this. Even Dirk might have relented and forgiven her. She hummed "Happy Days" as she splashed in the shower, then gave herself a drubbing with a towel, filled the air with an extravagant cloud of bath-powder, and set about dressing with a light heart. She donned a plain white linen frock, white shoes, a little blue coat with brass buttons and a blue beret.

"And am I hungry!" she exclaimed, as she strapped on her wrist watch, noting with surprise that it was almost 11 o'clock.

There was no one on deck, so she went below to the dining salon. Apparently she was not the only late sleeper. Sea air had played its tricks on the rest, as well. She was hardly prepared, though, for the scene that met her eyes.

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De Loma sat stiffly in his chair, at the foot of the table, stabbing at his grapefruit with a vicious spoon. At his left Louise sat listlessly, looking Mary thought, a little greenish about the mouth as though something eaten the night before and the roll of the boat were not agreeing, quite. Bruce, his face like a thunder-cloud, sat on Louise's right, and in the master's chair at the head of the table Mr. Jupiter applied himself steadily and not too silently to a generous plate of scrambled eggs and bacon.

"Hello, everybody!" Mary called out brightly; "and a pleasant morning!" Her good humour brought no response.

De Loma and Bruce barely nodded. The Countess did not even look up. Mary slipped into a seat at Mr. Jupiter's left—the remaining chair was Captain Hendricks', but the doughty captain breakfasted at no such effete hour.

"A glass of orange juice, Frank, some thin brown toast and a soft-boiled egg—three minutes, just." She beamed at the old steward.

De Loma pushed back his chair with a loud scrape.

"You will excuse me, please," he said, bowing sarcastically. "I shall take a walk around the deck.

He was taking it fairly well, at that, Mary decided, after a critical glance. She was curious to know what explanation had been given him for this sudden sea-trip; surely he must have been dumbfounded to awaken and find himself shanghaied in any such high-handed fashion.

Whatever it was, it was plain that he had lost his taste for red-haired young women with promises in their eyes and no intention of keeping them. Well, let him go. He would not be unobserved, wherever he went, even though the excellent Bates was in his cabin, getting a little long-deferred sleep. He was a prisoner with every man on the yacht his

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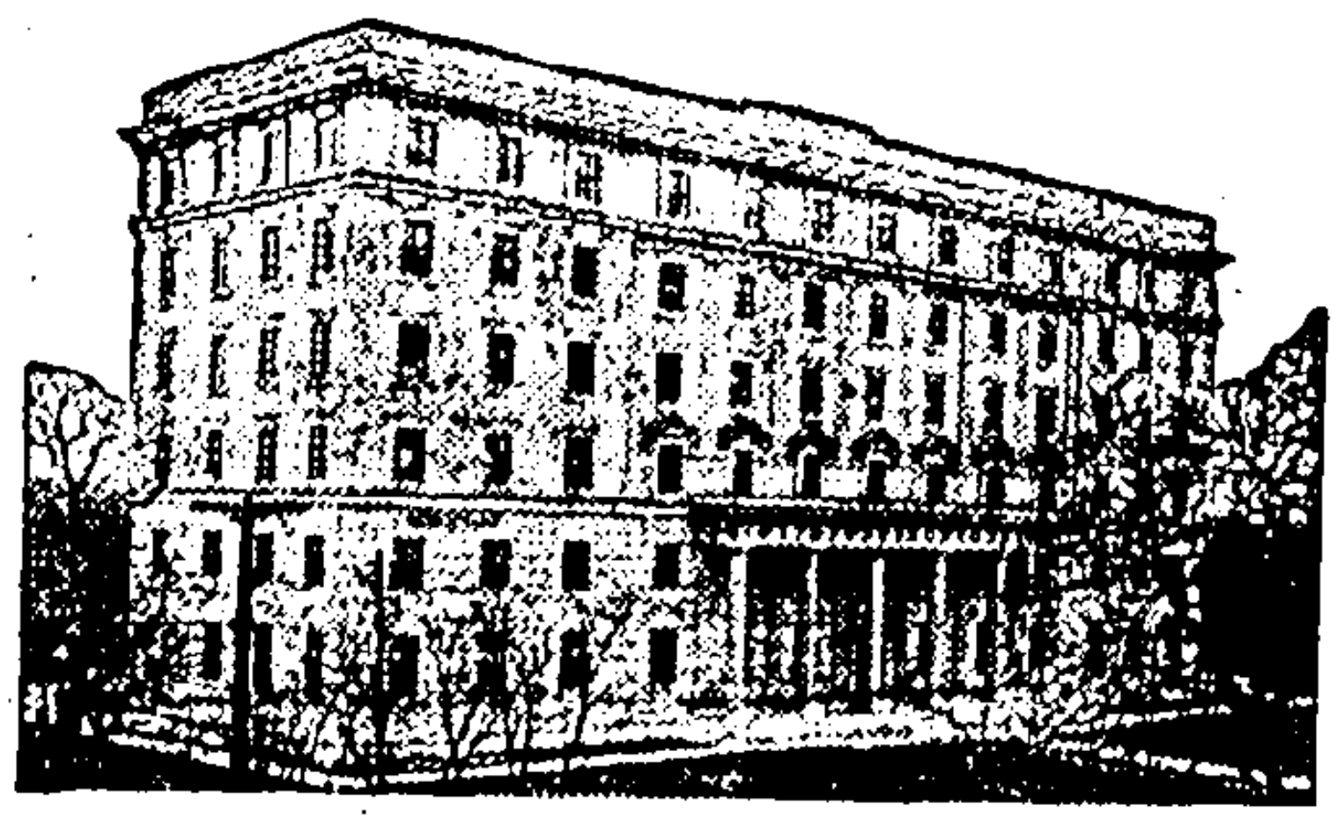

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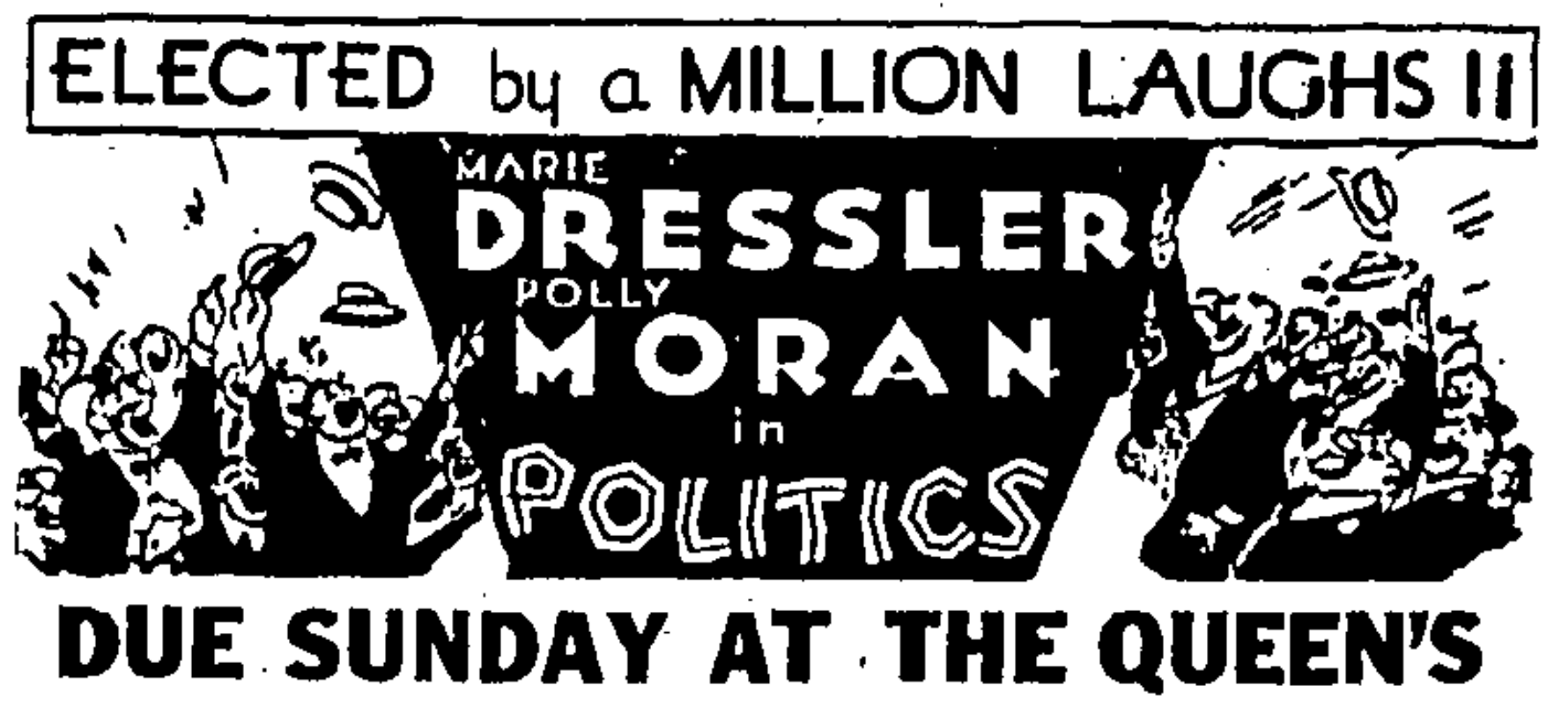
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ENTRIES close at 5 p.m. on Friday, the 19th February, 1932.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on **WEDNESDAY**, the 17th day of February, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the company will be closed from **TUESDAY**, the 2nd to **WEDNESDAY**, the 17th February, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1932.

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NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on Friday, the Eighteenth day of March, 1932, at 11.30 in the forenoon immediately after the Annual General Meeting of the Company, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:—

1. That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now $10,000,000.00 divided into 1,000,000 Shares of $10.00 each, of which the whole have been issued) be increased from $10,000,000.00 consisting as aforesaid to $15,000,000.00 (consisting of 1,500,000 Shares of the nominal value of $10.00 each) by the creation of 500,000 New Shares of the nominal value of $10.00 each.

2. That in the first instance 200,000 of the said New Shares be offered at par (in the proportion of one New Share for every five Old Shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the eighteenth day of March, 1932, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the 1,000,000 Old Shares and so that on acceptance of such offer the full nominal amount due in respect of such 200,000 New Shares shall be payable on the 30th day of June, 1932, and that on acceptance of such offer and on payment in manner aforesaid such shares so taken up shall rank as from the 1st day of July, 1932, for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital, and that any of the said 200,000 New Shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's Shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of at such time or times in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors shall think fit.

3. That such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the Member is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted by the Member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such date or dates as they may think fit.

4. That the balance of 300,000 Shares constituting the Company's unissued Capital be issued at such time or times in such manner and for such purposes and upon such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may decide.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the before mentioned Extraordinary General Meeting will be continued for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

5. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

> "(a) By the insertion immediately after Article No. 126 of the existing Articles of Association of the two following new Articles to be known as Articles 126A 126B.'
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> "126A. Each Director who is a registered holder in his own right of not less than 25,000 Shares in the Capital of the Company shall have the power to nominate any person approved for that purpose by a majority of the other Directors of the Company to act as an alternate Director, in his place, during his absence from the Colony of Hongkong or inability to act through illness as such Director, and at his discretion to remove such alternate Director, and on any such appointment being made, the alternate Director shall be subject in all respect to the terms and conditions existing with reference to the other Directors of the Company, and any alternate Director while acting in the place of an absent Director, shall exercise and discharge all the duties and functions of the Director he represents, but shall look to such Director solely for his remuneration and shall not be entitled to claim remuneration from the Company. Provided always that it shall be a condition precedent to the exercise of the power of appointment herein contained and the continuance of the appointment hereunder that the Director exercising the same shall be, at the time of making such appointment and shall continue to be so long as the said appointment continues, the registered holder in his own right of not less than 25,000 Shares in the Capital of the Company. Every appointment made in pursuance of this Article shall be in writing under the hand of the Director making the same."
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> "126B. Any instrument appointing an alternate Director in pursuance of Article 126A of these Articles shall be as nearly as circumstances will admit in the following form or to the effect following:—"

I, a Director of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, in pursuance of the power in that behalf contained in Article 126A of the Articles of Association of the Company do hereby nominate and appoint
of to act as alternate Director in my place during my absence from the Colony of Hongkong or my inability to act as a Director through illness (as the case may be) to exercise and discharge all my duties as a Director of the Company.

AS WITNESS my hand this
day of
One thousand nine hundred and thirty

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at Noon at the same place on the Fourth day of April, 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the last above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the before mentioned resolution numbered 5 herein.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1932.

By Order of the Board,

F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 11th February, 1932, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 3rd February, 1932, to Thursday, the 11th February, 1932, both days inclusive.

NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at 12.15 p.m. on the same day and at the same place as and immediately after the before mentioned Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution.

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

(a) By deletion of the words "One thousand Dollars" contained partly in the third and partly in the fourth lines of Article 90a of the Company's Articles of Association and the substitution therefor of the words "Five thousand Dollars."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the same place at 12.30 p.m. on Friday the 26th day of February, 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the before mentioned Extraordinary General Meeting and of confirming if thought fit the before mentioned resolution as a Special Resolution.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1932.

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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING.

DEFICIT OF $4,000 SHOWN IN ACCOUNTS.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, was held last evening in the Church Hall. The Vicar (the Rev. W. Walton Rogers) presided, supported by Mr. J. W. Baldwin (Vicar's Warden), Mr. F. W. Stapleton (People's Warden), Mr. Colin Carruthers (Hon. Secretary of Church Council) and Mr. O. B. Raven (Treasurer).

The Vicar, in the course of reviewing the Church's activities, stated that the suggestion thrown out at last year's annual meeting of a Fund for the renovation of the Organ, was taken up by the Church Council, and carried to a successful issue. It represented a great deal of hard work, and much generous giving.

They had also received the gift of a Holy Table with frontals from the Cathedral Body, Communion linen and a cupboard for surplices and cassocks; while their old friend Mr. J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., had greatly improved the appearance of the Chancel, by painting scrolls and texts on the North and South sides of the Sanctuary. Mr. J. M. Jack had recently renewed the whole of their step lights and wiring without charge (Applause).

The Vicar gratefully acknowledged all those gifts and others, and expressed his appreciation of the work of the Ladies Guild, and of other members of the Church who had carried on so successfully the work of the Church in all its multifarious activities.

Bishop's Departure.

In conclusion, the Vicar said.—"Before closing, I would mention the deep regret with which we learned, a few weeks ago, of the impending departure of the Bishop and Mrs. Duppuy. We have, as a congregation, valued highly the visits of the Bishop and messages he had given to us, while I should like to pay a personal tribute for the friendly help and wise counsel which I have found him ready to give at all times. We have heard to-day, with pleasure, that his Majesty the King has graciously conferred upon him the Canonry of Worcester, made vacant by the death of Canon Lacey, and we wish the Bishop many years of fruitful service in this important office."

The Chairman referred with regret to the impending departure of Mr. F. W. Stapleton, who had served faithfully in the office of People's Warden for the past three-and-a-half years, and expressed the wish that on his return, recovered completely in health, Mr. Stapleton would again serve in the same capacity.

Mr. F. W. Stapleton, replying, said that within the last twelve months he found that he had not been able to give much time to the work, and recently his health had not been very good, and he found it necessary to have a change. Under the circumstances he thought it would be better to retire in favour of a younger and more energetic man. He proposed Mr. W. H. C. Robson as his successor. This was seconded by Mr. J. W. Baldwin, and carried unanimously.

Deficit of $4,000.

The report of the Church Council's proceedings during the past year was read by the Hon. Secretary. He was followed by Mr. O. B. Raven presenting the statement of accounts, which showed a deficit of over $4,000.

Other reports of the various branches of the Church's activities were read by their respective representatives.

Before the meeting concluded Captain R. D. Thomas paid a warm tribute to the Church Choir, and made a strong appeal for more support for the finances of the Church.

New Officers.

The following were elected to serve during the current year:

Vicar's Warden.—Mr. J. W. Baldwin; People's Warden—Mr. W. H. C. Robson.

Representatives of the Board of Trustees to the Church of England.—Captain R. D. Thomas and Mr. J. W. Baldwin.

Church Council.—Mrs. M. Bird, Miss W. A. Robinson, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Miss H. D. Sawyer, Dr. H. D. Matthews, Capt. R. D. Thomas, Messrs. J. W. Baldwin, R. Baldwin, F. Dann, R. Dormer, H. Gittins, J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., O. B. Raven, W. H. C. Robson and R. H. Wong.

Representatives to the Diocesan Conference.—Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Miss W. A. Robinson, Mrs. M. Bird, Dr. Matthews, Capt. Thomas, Messrs. J. W. Baldwin, R. Baldwin H. Gittins, J. H. Hunt and R. H. Wong.

Sidesmen.—Messrs. J. I. Barnes, R. Dormer, H. Felshaw, G. Lee, N. A. E. Mackay, S. Robinson, H. H. Rose, D. Toppin, E. H. P. White, R. H. Wong, Colin Carruthers, E. MacNider, J. Gibson, Dr. H. D. Matthews and Capt. Thomas.

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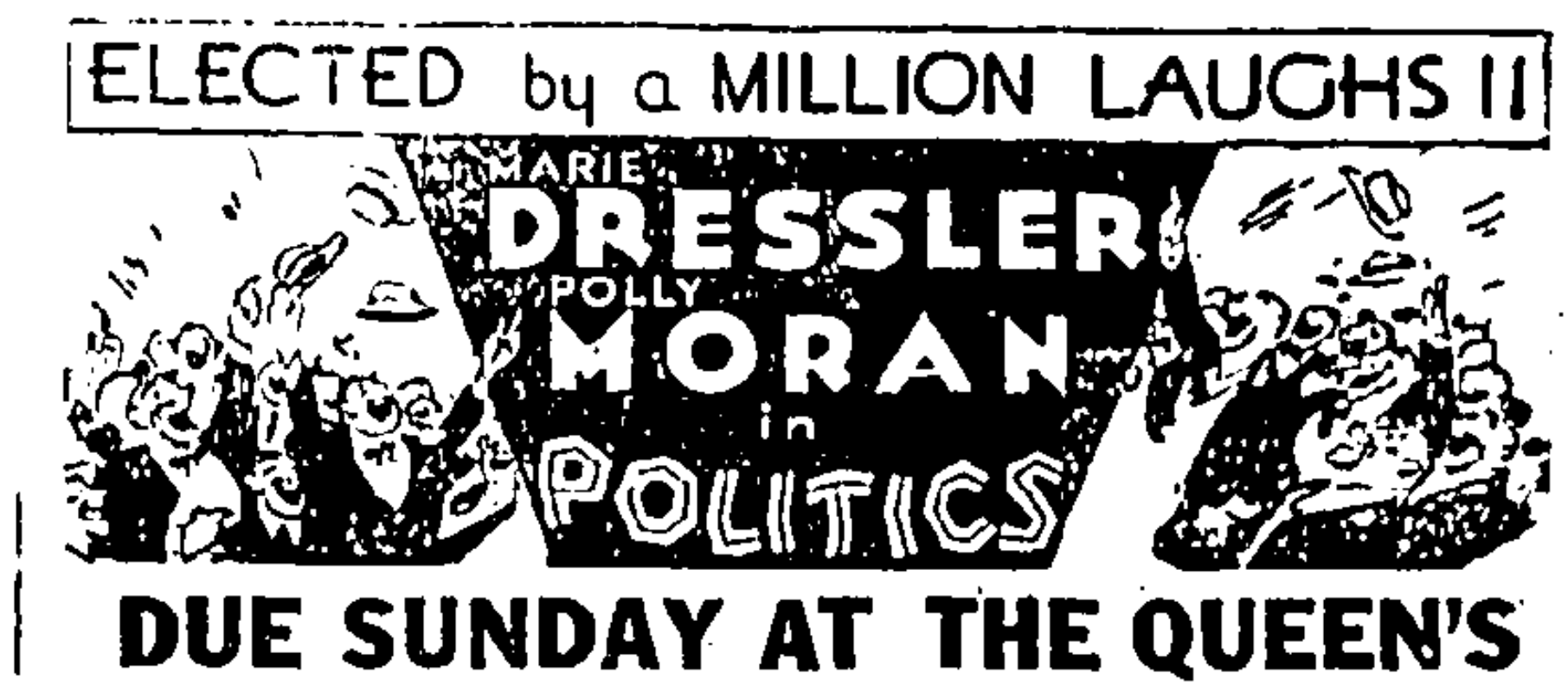

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Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	January 30.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 9th Jan.) and Europe via Siberia (London, 11th Jan.) ..	Pres. Madison	January 30.
Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	January 31.
Japan and Shanghai	Heian Maru	January 31.
Japan	Hawaii Maru	January 31.
Calcutta and Straits	Hosang	January 31.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinan	January 31.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	February 1.
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	February 2.
Saigon	D'Artagnan	February 3.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 3.
Calcutta and Straits	Takada	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Terukuni Maru	February 5.
London Parcels only, London 31st December	Sarpedon	February 5.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 5th January)	Pres. Van Buren	February 6.
Straits	Katori Maru	February 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 11th January)	Pres. Grant	February 8.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., 16th January)	Emp. of Russia	February 8.
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	February 8.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Bangkok	Hermod	Fri., Jan 29, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., Jan. 29, 1.30 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow	Fri., Jan. 29, 2.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Chung On	Fri Jan. 29, 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Chitral	Sat., Jan. 30.
		K.P.O.
		Parcels, Jan. 29, 4.30 p.m.
		Reg., Jan. 30, 9 a.m.
		Letters, Jan. 30, 10 a.m.
		G.P.O.
		Parcels, Jan. 29, 5 p.m.
		Reg., Jan. 30, 9.45 a.m.
		Letters Jan. 30, 10.30 a.m.
		(Due Marseilles, 26th February)
*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Nellore	Sat., Jan. 30.
		Parcels, Jan. 29, 5 p.m.
		Reg., Jan. 30, 8.45 a.m.
		Letters Jan. 30, 9.30 a.m.
		(Due Brisbane, 15th February)
Haiphong	Canton	Sat., Jan. 30, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Madison	Sat., Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia ..	Gange	Sat., Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Anshun	Sun., Jan. 31, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Jan. 31, 9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa	Hawaii Maru	Mon., Feb. 1, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Taiyo Maru	Mon. Feb. 1, 2.30 p.m.
Foochow	Yingchow	Mon., Feb. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Hosang	Mon., Feb. 1, 5 p.m.
Saigon and *Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux	Tues., Feb. 2.
		K. P. O.
		Registration 10 a.m.
		Letters 1 p.m.
		G. P. O.
		Registration 12.45 p.m.
		Letters 1.30 p.m.
		(Due Marseilles, 4th March).

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BRITISH POLICY IN INDIA.

PROGRESS COMBINED WITH FIRMNESS.

BETTER OUTLOOK.

London, Jan. 28.

The latest reports from India confirm those received earlier. The Extremist movement is much less active than might have been expected, and there is a general absence of trouble in the rural areas, except in the North West Frontier Province, and even there the Red-shirt movement seems to be thoroughly shaken.

In Bombay and Ahmedabad, two centres of picketing, the support behind Congress seems to be faltering. In the United Provinces the centre of the no-rent campaign, the situation is settling down, rents and revenues are steadily coming in, and country life is resuming its normal course.

The above, said Sir Samuel Hoare, in a broadcast talk to-night, represents the present state of affairs almost in the actual words of the reports he was receiving. He expressed satisfaction that Lord Irwin, ex-Viceroy, agreed with the present Viceroy, Lord Willingdon, that it is essential for the Government to push on the work of the Conference, but also it is not less vital for the Government to safeguard the forces of law and order.

He believed there would be general agreement that the severe measures they were forced to impose in the face of threats to civilised government had been carried out with common sense, moderation and impartiality. Lord Irwin's speech completely disposed of the charge that there been a sudden reversal of Government policy.

If further evidence were needed, it could be found in the departure for India of the distinguished public men who within a few weeks would be continuing the work of the Round Table Conference on lines that the Indians on the Conference desired, and they would have as their colleagues some of the most representative Indian public men.

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STOKE FAILS TO WIN AT HOME.

F.A. CUP REPLAY.

London, Jan. 28.

Stoke and Sunderland have to fight again to decide the right to meet Bury in the next round of the F. A. Cup. In their replay at Stoke to-day, they were unable to reach a decision although extra time was played. The final score was 1-1.

In the League, the results of matches played to-day were as follows:

Third Division (South.)

Northampton	2	Reading	4
Queen's P.R.	2	Palace	2
Coventry	0	Brentford	1

Third Division (South).

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Brentford	24	15	5	4	46	25	35
Fulham	25	14	5	6	69	42	33
Crystal Pal.	25	12	7	6	51	37	31
Exeter	25	13	5	7	51	40	31
Watford	25	13	4	8	54	46	30
Reading	26	12	6	8	54	49	30
Southend	25	11	7	7	46	36	29
Norwich	24	10	7	7	37	28	27
Brighton	24	11	5	8	40	33	27
Queen's P. R.	25	9	8	8	50	43	36
Coventry	25	10	6	9	61	54	26
Luton	25	11	3	11	46	43	25
Bournemouth	25	9	5	11	42	49	23
Mansfield	26	8	7	11	48	62	23
Bristol R.	25	7	6	12	45	54	22
Swindon	24	7	6	11	40	42	20
Cardiff	24	8	4	12	44	47	20
Gillingham	24	8	4	12	27	40	20
Torquay	25	6	7	12	43	66	19
Clapton O.	24	6	7	11	42	50	19
Northampton	25	5	5	15	28	49	15
Thames	26	4	7	15	29	58	15

LATE MR. CARR RAMSEY.

BIG ESTATE IN HONGKONG.

The late Mr. Thomas Carr Ramsey, late of Kialat, Swatow, who died at Swatow on Novermber 12, 1931, left Hongkong estate worth $185,700, while estate elsewhere amounts to £15,000.

Re-sealing of probate of the will has been granted to Mr. Noel Ronald Ramsey, of Swatow, son, one of the executors, with power reserved for making a like grant to Mr. G. E. Matthews, the other executor.

In his will testator directs that the balance of his residuary estate shall be divided among such charities and hospitals as his trustees shall select, and particularly requests that in exercising their discretion they will bear in mind his (testator's) fondness for charities in connexion with the sea. The will also contains a number of family bequests.

Local estate valued at $700, with large estate elsewhere, the amount of which is not stated in the documents, was left by the late Mr. James Arthur Frostick, who died at Christchurch, New Zealand, on March 7, 1931. Re-sealing of exemplification of probate of the will has been granted to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenon, of Messrs. Deacons, who is attorney for the Public Trustee of New Zealand, the sole executor. The widow is appointed as advisory trustee. Family bequests are contained in the will.

Chan Young-din, *alias* Chan Yun-ming, *alias* Chan Yau Yu Tong, who died intestate at No. 124, Wellington Street, on October 3, 1931, left Hongkong estate which has been sworn at $8,200. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Chan Chung-shi, No. 51, Catchick Street.

Letters of administration to the estate of the late Chun Fu-son, late of Shanghai, who died intestate on or about June 26, 1929, have been granted to Mr. D. H. Blake, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, who is attorney for five sons. Local estate amounts to $18,200.

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Many Sports Pictures To-morrow.

There will be a big array of sports pictures in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement.

Interport sportsmen will be seen in tennis, soccer and Rugby events, whilst pictures will also appear of the Volunteer and the Indian School sports. Hockey teams representing the Fourth Submarine Flotilla and the Deutscher Klub will also be seen in a group. Fanling Races pictures will also appear.

The annual inspection of the Ambulance Brigade by H. E. the Governor and the opening of the new playground at Wanchai, equipped by the Rotary Club, will also be illustrated.

Amongst many other illustrations will be several pictures taken at the inauguration of the garden suburb scheme, whilst a group taken at the dinner of the Armoured Car Section of the Defence Corps will also be given.

U.S. SENDS WARSHIPS.

Washington, Jan. 28.

Four American destroyers have been ordered to China from Manila.—*Reuter's American Service.*

A 2-year-old Chinese infant, found abandoned yesterday in Po Yuen Street, a narrow thorougfare near the Tung Wah Hospital, was admitted to the institution where it died, the victim apparently of small-pox.

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9.14 J. P. Warren, T. Low
9.52 A. N. Macfadyen, Q. A. A. Macfadyen
10.00 Mrs. Sherry, W. A. Weight
10.08 G. T. May, G. Thomerson,
10.40 Mrs. Rodgers, Miss Munro,
10.18 Lt. Col. E. D. Matthews Mrs. Matthews.

Old Course.

9.16-9.20 Not to be booked by those travelling on 8.28 a.m.
9.24 J. Thayer, A. Sommerfelt
9.28 L. G. S. Dodwell, H. U. Ireland
9.32 W. D. Denham, Comdr. Priestley
9.36 G. F. Hole, L. R. Andrewes
9.40 A. C. I. Bowker, R. C. Law
9.44 G. A. Leiper, K. W. Jones
9.48 A. D. Humphreys, J. D. Danby
9.52 G. W. Tolmie, D. J. Mackie
9.56 H. W. Daukes, R. R. Davies
10.00 W. C. Shields, C. W. F. Booker
10.04 W. L. Marshall, H. L. Schultz
10.08 D. S. Edward, S. T. Butlin.
10.12 C. Thwaites, A. G. Coppin.
10.16 S. S. Perry, P. S. Grant.
10.20 C. C. Roberts, R. H. Dowler.
10.24 H. J. Armstrong, J. B. Lanyon.
10.28 R. H. McBean, G. R. M. Robertson.
10.32 C. F. Hyde, S. J. H. Fox.
10.36 R. M. Henderson, E. des Voeux.
10.40 J. C. Dunbar, H. M. Muir.
10.44 E. Kern, B. J. Lacon.
10.48 H. Lowe, D. S. Robb.
10.52 G. W. Sewell, J. W. Alabaster.
10.56 N. K. Littlejohn, J. C. Campbell.
11.00 A. J. R. Wolff, L. M. S. Lloyd.
11.04 J. P. Sherry, W. A. Stewart.
11.08 R. A. Rodgers, L. C. Grover.
11.12 G. M. Aucott, A. Piercy.
11.16 W. R. Vallance, Comdr. Booksey.
11.20 J. R. Richardson, J. Forbes.
11.24 F. S. Thomson, P. S. Cassidy.
11.28 C. E. Sandstrom, R. E. Tottenham.
11.32 A. O. Brawn, C. Mycock.

The 9.24 and 9.28 pairs will get caddies from Superintendent.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended Jan. 28th, 1911.

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.11/16d.

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The death occurred of Mr. G. G. Catchick, of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., at the age of 29 years. He was a keen Volunteer.

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The China Navigation Company's s.s. Tean inaugurated a service between Hongkong and coastal ports of the Philippines.

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Much interest was taken in the arrival in Hongkong of "Bud" Mars, an American aviator, with three biplanes for the purposes of giving displays locally.

DEATH AFTER DISOBEYING DOCTOR.

TOLD FAIRY TALE DESPITE PAIN.

Barely a week after declaring at a prize distribution that she was disobeying her doctor's orders by being out, the Hon. Mrs. Davey, wife of Colonel the Hon. H. S. Davey, of Somerset Place, Bath, died recently from a stroke.

Mrs. Davey had been giving prizes at the Bath Junior Technical School and despite her pain told the children a fairy story.

She collapsed when she reached home and was unconscious for three days.

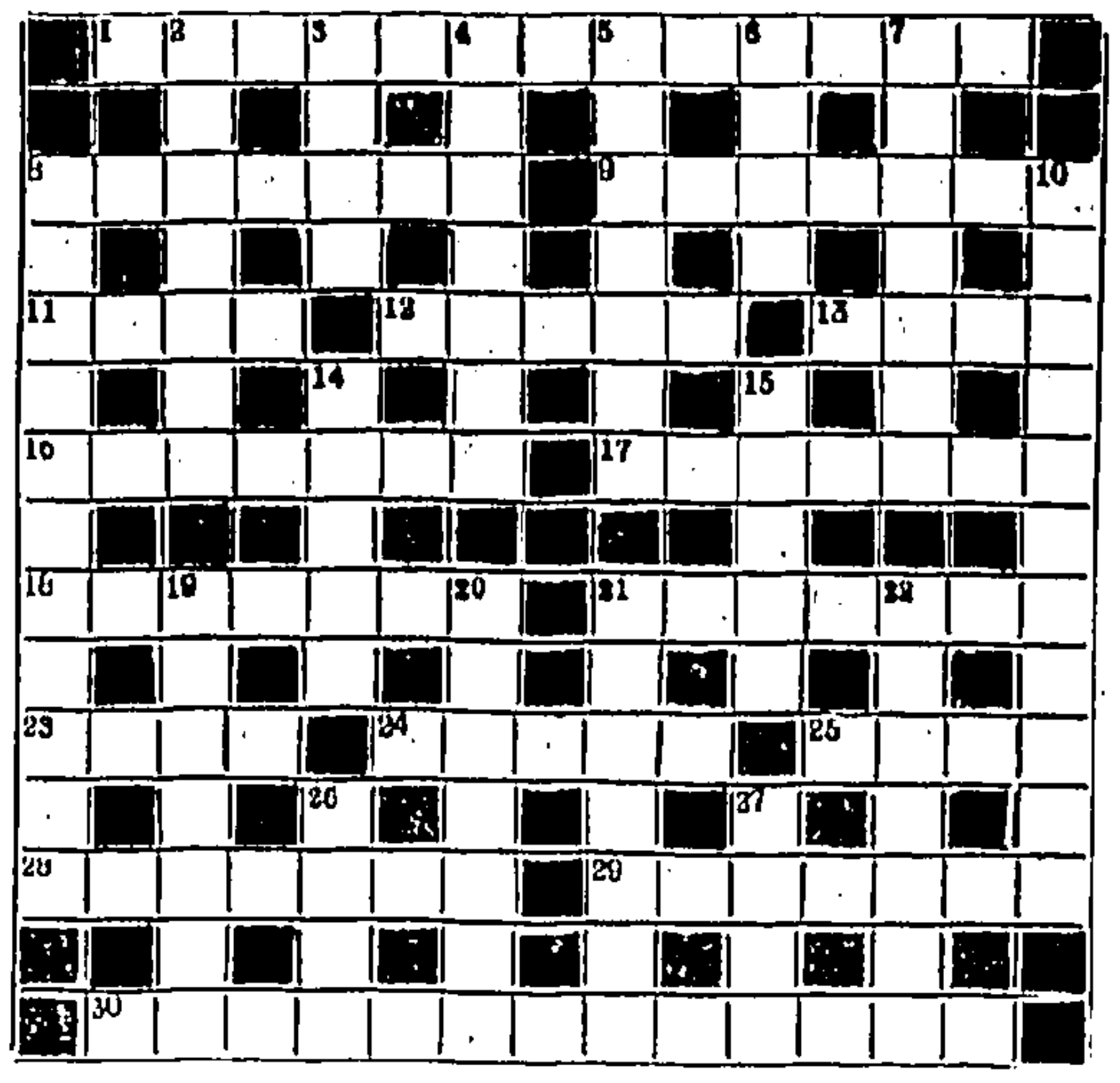
LEAGUE TO MAKE DECLARATION.

PRIVATE MEETING OF COUNCIL.

Geneva, Jan. 28.

The League Council met at 5.30 p.m. without the Japanese or Chinese representatives, and discussed in private the declaration regarding Manchuria which M. Paul Boncour, the President, will make at the next public meeting. —*Reuter.*

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

1 There's a vulgar practical joker in front of the cathedral in this England town.
8 These plants produce very showy flowers.
9 Truly, a singular garment.
11 It would not be a story if I said this was a tail.
12 If you get in a fix here, don't worry—you're only an F short.
13 There's a great synonym for this —or it sounds like one to me
16 Something fresh in actual surroundings creates a revival.
17 D'ye know he's to be seen in an Italian city? (Sorry.)
18 In the days of England's "wooden walls" a frigate had six.
21 Looking at the defunct fowl, one might conclude that it was another instance following a car.
23 Sounds like a remark that might have been made by a medieval torturer in Central Persia.
24 A story that shows great ability, but don't you believe it.
25 Examine closely—and you may discover something striking.
28 Purely formal.
29 Scottish patronymic.
30 An act of rashness.

Down

2 This, also, denotes presumptuous rashness, with I and Ian on opposite sides of the motor.
3 Animal.
4 Shooting.
5 Here's a hint: the writer's medium and a fish.
6 In sad surroundings I declared.
7 A parliamentary division—in Cumberland.
8 Change a people for reciprocal succession.
10 Shown here, in the coarse grass.
14 Faint.
15 Though wrathful, granny would not be quite exhausted in being so.
19 Give an old Archbishop a stroke for this liar.
20 Although only a sloop there is room in this vessel for a full-sized hall.
21 The pipe of peace.
22 One of Shakespeare's fools, "I, no sage" (anag.).
26 After taking the cane up, put it down for play before tea.
27 This Briton comes out of little beds.

Yesterday's Solution.

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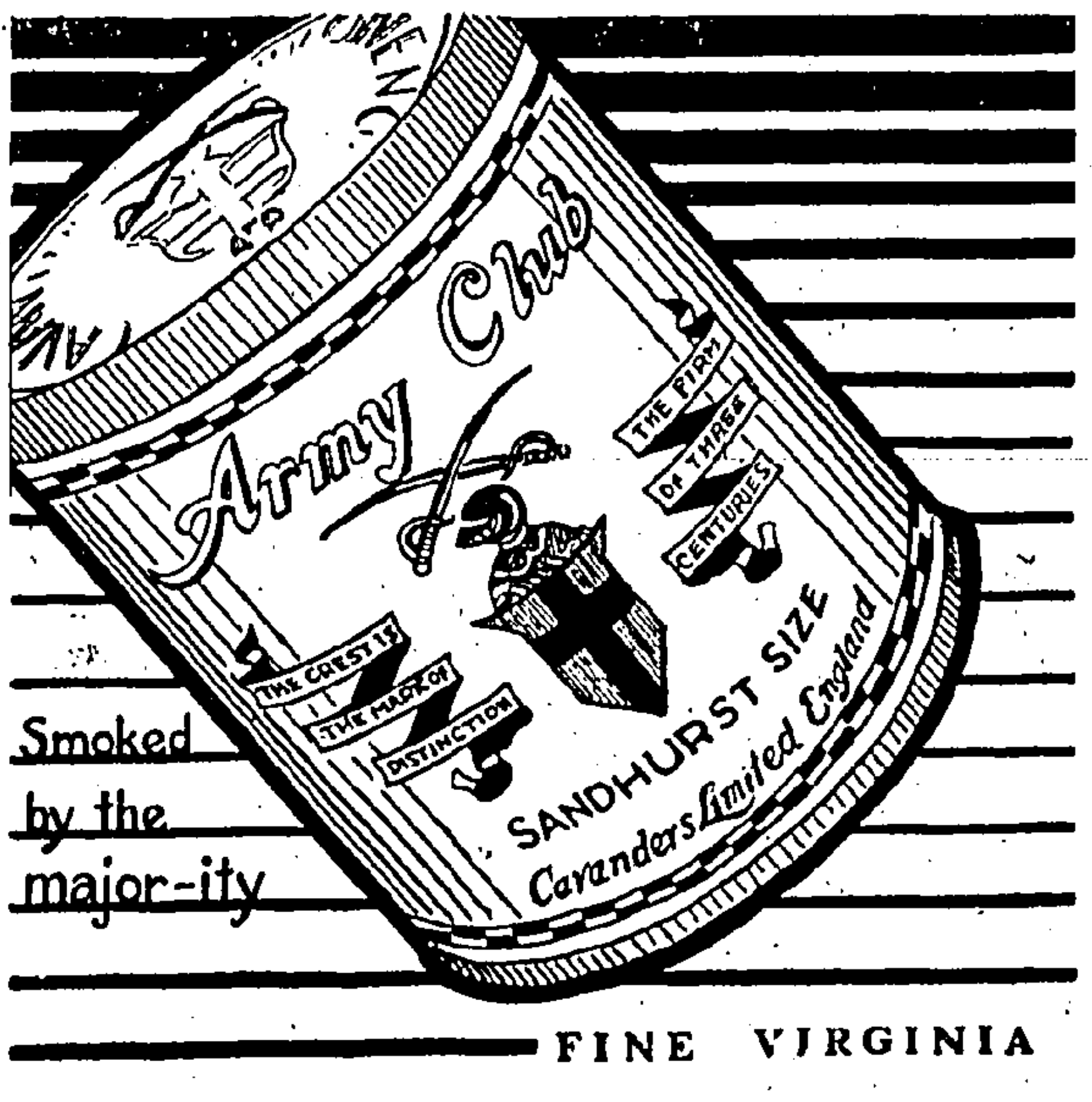

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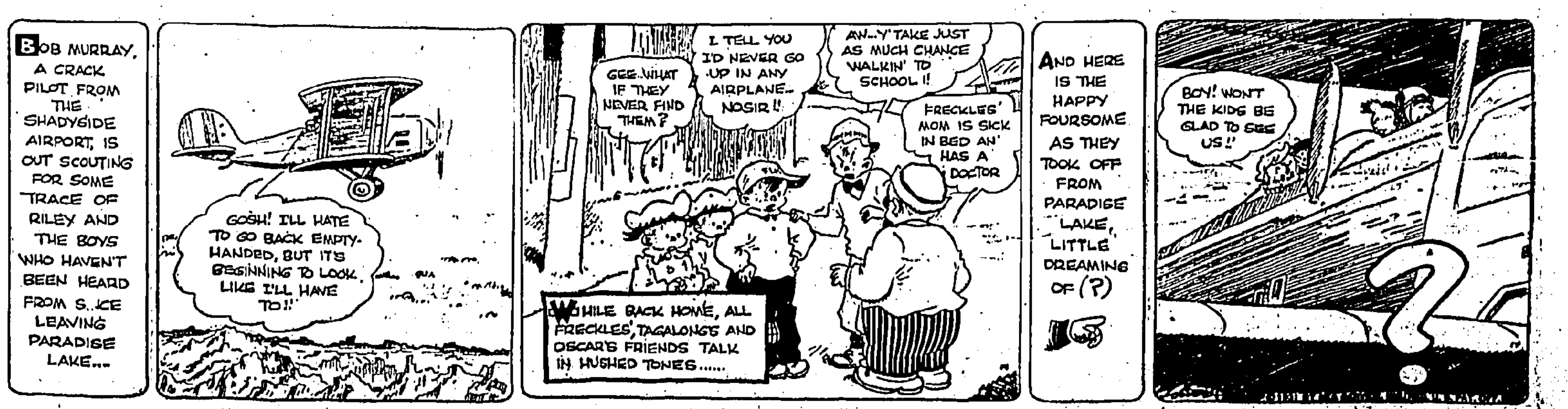
FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

The Topic of Conversation!

By Blosser


BOB MURRAY, A CRACK PILOT FROM THE SHADYSIDE AIRPORT, IS OUT SCOUTING FOR SOME TRACE OF RILEY AND THE BOYS WHO HAVEN'T BEEN HEARD FROM SINCE LEAVING PARADISE LAKE...
GOSH! I'LL HATE TO GO BACK EMPTY-HANDED, BUT IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK LIKE I'LL HAVE TO!!
GEE, WHAT IF THEY NEVER FIND THEM?
I TELL YOU I'D NEVER GO UP IN ANY AIRPLANE— NOSIR!!
AW—Y' TAKE JUST AS MUCH CHANCE WALKIN' TO SCHOOL!!
FRECKLES' MOM IS SICK IN BED AN' HAS A DOCTOR
WHILE BACK HOME, ALL FRECKLES', TAGALONG'S AND OSCAR'S FRIENDS TALK IN HUSHED TONES......
AND HERE IS THE HAPPY FOURSOME AS THEY TOOK OFF FROM PARADISE LAKE, LITTLE DREAMING OF (?)
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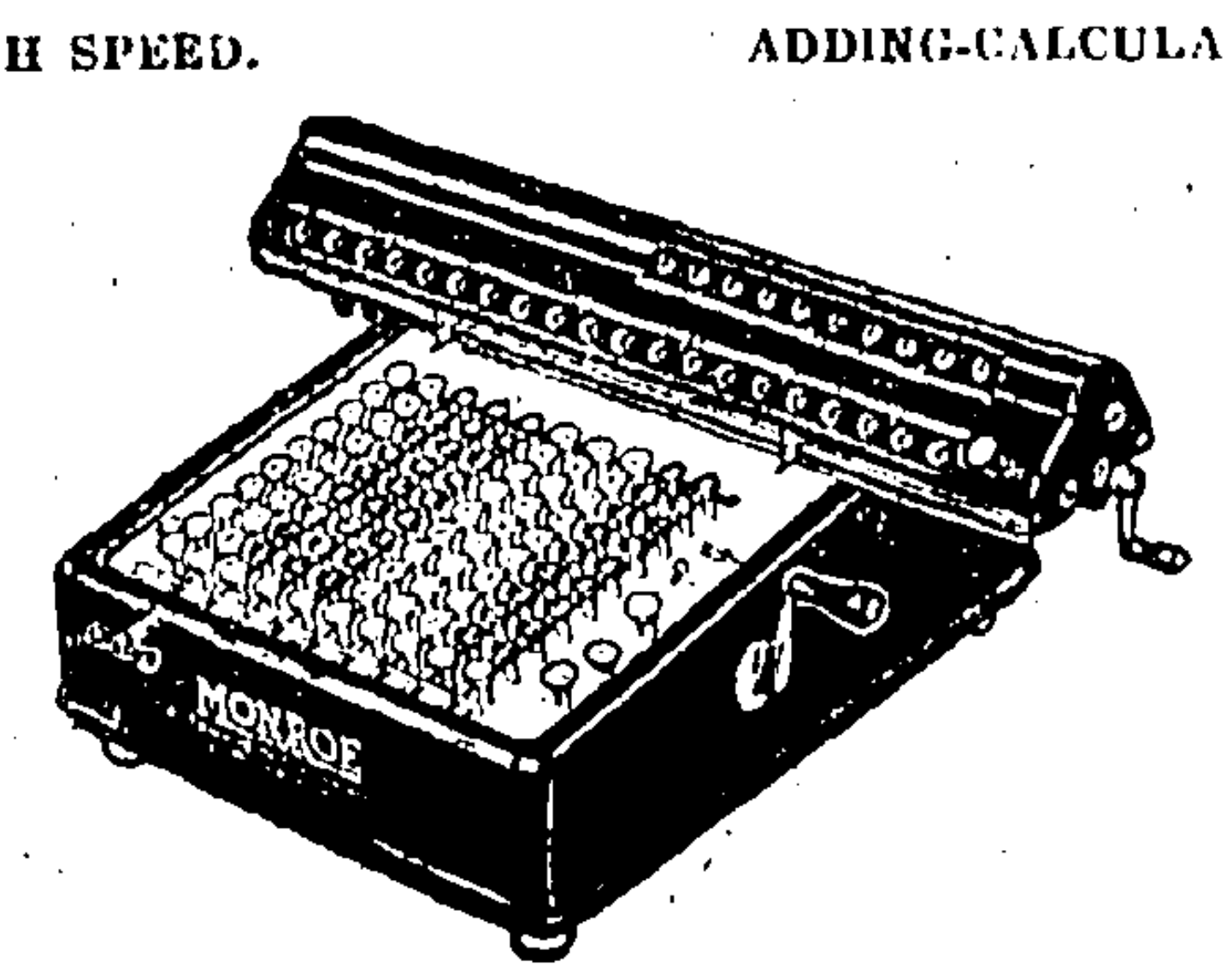

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1932.

CRITICAL DAYS IN SHANGHAI.

With a state of emergency now declared, the Shanghai situation has reached a condition of considerable gravity. For the Settlement authorities, the position is one of great difficulty. They have, however, done the right thing by taking special precautions for the preservation of peace and order. Obviously, there is distinct danger of incidents occurring which, in the present inflamed state of feeling as between the Chinese and Japanese, might lead to developments of the worst conceivable kind. In view of the events of the past few days, Shanghai is well described as a tinder-box; it only requires the kindling of the flames to create a situation too terrible to contemplate. There can, however, be no two opinions as to the attitude of the Settlement authorities in face of the crisis. This must be one of the strictest neutrality.

The dangers of the position have been well stressed by Mr. O. M. Green when he says that the landing of Japanese marines has brought all the Powers into direct concern with the Sino-Japanese quarrel. This is a development of the first magnitude, and it is one which Japan must have foreseen when she decided to impose pressure on the Chinese authorities in Shanghai. This step was bound to lead to complications, and it will be a fortunate circumstance if these do not increase within the next few days. It is admitted that there has been marked anti-Japanese activity in Shanghai, and that incidents have occurred which have naturally aroused Japanese indignation. On the other side, however, it will be said that these are inevitable consequences of Japan's own policy. In any event, there would appear to have been little, if any justification, for Japan to have aggravated the position by a show of force and by delivering an ultimatum to the Chinese authorities. If these things do not constitute acts of war, they are very little removed therefrom. The interference with Chinese newspapers is another unwarranted display of force which cannot be defended. In view of Japan's actions in Manchuria, can it be wondered at that the Chinese press is anti-Japanese in tone? After all, the newspapers are merely expressing public feeling, as they have a perfect right to do. Can the world be expected to believe that the Japanese press is friendly in tone towards China these days? Of course not. We all know that the Japanese propaganda factories are quite as busy as those of China. That is quite understandable in the circumstances. If the position were reversed, and Chinese troops were in occupation of part of Japan, would it be reasonable to expect Japanese newspaper comment to be innocuous? That would be asking too much of human nature. The argument applies to the Chinese press, surely.

We have previously, on more than one occasion, condemned the extreme forms of anti-Japanese feeling which have latterly been manifested in China, even after making due allowance for the provocation caused by Japanese policy. But we cannot see that matters in Shanghai have called for the measures which Japan has deemed fit to take. Indeed, by her actions she has merely aggravated the situation, and, what is far more serious, has to some extent drawn the other Powers into the dispute. Seemingly, Japan has only one doctrine to apply—the doctrine of force against a weaker nation. There are ugly possibilities in the Shanghai crisis. We can only hope that they will not develop seriously. If, however, they do, then it will be difficult for Japan to escape the major share of the blame.

[Since the above was written, Japan has seen fit to take extreme measures, despite compliance with her demands. The situation, therefore has taken on added gravity and the new developments may lead to serious international complications.]

How Harbin Appears.

It seems that another little drama, with a curious mixture of tragedy and impish elements of comedy, is to be staged by the Japanese in and around Harbin. General Hsi Hsia (at one time, by possibly apt error, miscabled Gen. Hai Yah) having failed in his attempt to oust General Ying Chao from the city, Japanese forces are being rushed from Changchun in order to establish security for Japanese lives and property. In other words, the War Office at Tokyo is not permitting the rest of the stage to lapse into inactivity merely because the spotlight in the Sino-Japanese dispute has suddenly switched from Manchuria to Shanghai. The process of consolidating the position in Manchuria must go on. General Hsi Hsia, approved by the Japanese, as new Governor of Harbin, although assisted with arms and ammunition and aeroplanes, is at present unable to assume his post with due ceremony, General Ying Chao having for some reason disapproved of the form of the notice to quit and stubbornly declined to budge. Tokyo announces a reign of terror in the city (significantly not mentioned by Reuter's correspondent in Harbin) and troops are being despatched "to protect Japanese lives and property, which appear to be endangered." That the move will also result, probably, in a clash between the Japanese forces and those of General Ying Chao, in the undermining of Ying Chao's position and the early installation of General Hsi Hsia as Governor of Harbin, may be purely incidental, and may be not. Reuter mentioned looting at Fuchiatien on Wednesday, but gave a very distinct impression that the troops of the Japanese-supported Hsi Hsia were responsible. Perhaps we are unduly suspicious, but there seems ground to enquire whether the despatch of Japanese troops to Harbin is not connected more closely to the ill-fortune which befel the attempt of the puppet General Hsi Hsia to take charge of Harbin than with immediate danger to the Japanese colony there.

The inquiry was concluded before Mr. Schofield yesterday into the circumstances of the disastrous fire on January 12, at 134, Bonham Strand, in which nearly $100,000 worth of goods in a Chinese herbalist's establishment were said to have been destroyed. The Magistrate found that there was no evidence of arson.

DAY BY DAY

I LIKE PIETISM IN WOMEN, AND DETEST MEMBERS OF THE FEMALE SEX WHO MAKE A PARADE OF ENLIGHTENMENT.—*Bismarck.*

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The Ben Line s.s. Benmohr, from Home via Straits, is due here on February 3rd.

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The annual speech day of the Central British School is to be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Tuesday, Feburary 16, at 5.30 p.m.

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Mr. Leonard N. Green of the United States Consular Staff, who has been stationed at Belfast, is taking up duties in Hongkong.

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From Messrs. Thoresen and Co. Ltd., we have received a charming Chinese wall calendar issued by the China Siam Line for which they are the agents.

THE AVERAGE BOY.

PRODIGY WE TRY TO MAKE HIM.

Drastic revision is needed in the education of the average boy.

Dr. C. A. Alington, headmaster of Eton, expressed this opinion at the Headmasters' Conference, at Charterhouse. Dr. Cyril Norwood, headmaster of Harrow, agreed with him to a considerable extent.

Points made by Dr. Alington were:

"Harassed headmasters endeavour to trim their sails to every breeze and grossly overload their curriculum, starving every subject of its proper quantity of hours in a vain attempt to propitiate criticism, forgetting that if the average Englishman could not blame his own education he would find it very difficult to account satisfactorily for his own inefficiency.

"We put an entirely exaggerated value upon knowledge as such. There are very few things indeed that we can say with certainty that everyone ought to know.

"We are sure that the average boy we instruct will never attain to more than a reasonable proficiency in some one subject, and yet we teach him as if he is likely to become a prodigy.

"The mistake is made of teaching him as if he were a potential scholar, which we know not to be the case. He is taught too many subjects in a scholarly way, or, in other words, his interests are sacrificed to those of his intellectual superiors."

Examinations.

Dr. Norwood said that he was in agreement with Dr. Alington on most of the ground he had covered.

He pointed out, however, that public schools were responsible for only the latter half of the curriculum. The curriculum stood in need of drastic revision as it concerned the earlier part through manifest defects presented by boys when they entered public schools at 13½ to 14 years of age.

In the first place they were physically inferior to the products of the elementary State-aided system of education. They were also unable to use their hands to make things and to draw and were untrained use of the eye or ear.

He did not think that any good could be done by tinkering with the curriculum. They had to change their examination system. A less high standard of marking papers was required.

ROADS TO PEACE.

By MUSSOLINI.

MEN and nations unite for common action when they have common sufferings, common dangers, and common aims. We are witnessing to-day the first great common effort among the nations to bring about a period of international tranquillity, thirteen years after we have passed through the greatest war which ever distressed mankind.

During these thirteen years we have had nothing but plans and discussions and proposals and every kind of ethereal promise of peace, even to the point of signing treaties which would outlaw war. And yet, in spite of all this, the nations of the world kept on building battleships, increasing armies, and organising air fleets.

But now for the first time we are able to notice a different mentality towards these things. For the first time we have encountered a general spirit to meet the question of peace on a concrete basis, and that basis which is the essential element in creating an atmosphere of peace—namely, disarmament.

As we think of this transformation after thirteen years of chatter we are tempted to hail the fact that some nations have been faced with economic bankruptcy while others are blundering through a period of depression and misery. For this is the thing which has brought the world to its senses and caused it to see that the whole foolish game was bound to end in economic ruin and national oblivion, if continued much longer.

The Peril

The time is now ripe for us to realise that either we must find a way to put our houses in order or we perish from the excessive military burdens we are bearing. Military expenditure has been devouring national surpluses, and we all are sorely needing those surpluses.

It is in this great necessity that the need for common action lies. We have all a common suffering, a common danger, and a common sin. We must relieve the misery in which the world is now living; we must ward off the danger of panic and disruption; and we must all aim for a period of calm which will permit the restoration of the economic flow.

The Disarmament Conference next week cannot be allowed to fail in the way that previous ideas have fallen through. Even before the great war—in fact, just before its outbreak—the proposal had been made to bestow on Kaiser Wilhelm II. the Nobel prize for peace! To-day, twenty years from that date, we can see how clearly such a choice could only have resulted in travesty, especially when we recall that at that very moment the arms of Germany had been raised to the highest efficiency that any military machine had ever attained.

Noble but vague ideology may get the applause of the masses, but it bears no practical results. This coming effort for peace, by the very nature of the circumstances which force practical limitation of armaments on us, will have a firmer foundation. Events of the past two years in the economic field demand that the efforts for peace from now on shall be based on the free consent and co-operation of all.

"Forced To Fight."

As each nation entered the world war the cry was raised by each, *"We are forced to fight to defend our national existence."* This time all will be forced to keep the peace to defend their national existence, and even to have "a place in the sun."

Nor can the world endure further any attempts by one Power, or a group of Powers, to pit itself against another group. The day of balance of power must be doomed if peace is to come. There can be no more talk of this, nor will there be place for international suspicion and double-dealing.

And more, the effort of any strong naval or military Power to set itself up as arbiter and create for itself a naval or military hegemony cannot again be tolerated. One nation, striving to mass for itself a great fighting machine, either on the sea, on the land, or in the air, can only arouse the anxiety of all the others who in turn increase their arms to meet the giant.

Hegemonies sooner or later result in a continuance of the old and, we hope, obsolete principle of balance of power, for smaller nations wishing to enjoy the protection of a powerful ally willingly enlist their help and arms in the service of that ally when they can be assured that their safety is certain.

The result is that a hegemonous nation finally ends by collecting in its orbit a group of smaller allies. These, when massed against the rest, in their turn force the remaining nations to unite also, and we are confronted with two hostile groups. Such a situation cannot be allowed to materialise under a thorough disarmament policy wherein all should be reduced to the mere necessity of police.

On this Italy bases her proposals. Italy is disposed to accept the lowest figure of armament, even a limit of 10,000 rifles, provided no other nation has more.

Those Plans.

Much has been said of plans since the war. We had the Dawes Plan and the Young Plan. The Russians seemed to have stirred the craze still more in the "Five-Year Plan," and now we are prone to set a time-limit on many of the projects we think of initiating. But while Europe certainly needs at least a ten-year period of peace, there is no need to set an absolute limit on it. It could go on from the minimum of ten years —and there is every reason to believe that it should go on, when once it is established on solid foundations.

It is, unhappily, impossible for mankind to get beyond certain limits in foresight and precaution. As, in the span of a single life, illness, accident or death may interfere with the most noble personal project and bring it to ruin, so it is with nationals. The unforeseen may throw a whole world out of balance. We must make allowances for that unknown quantity. Our foresight cannot be so perfect as to pledge us to a too rigid course of action beyond a certain term of years. Nothing is definite in history.

Sacred Trusts.

A loyal and serious man of state, who wishes to fulfil all his pledges whether in national or international agreements, considering them as sacred trusts and not as flippant words used for his own convenience, cannot be too careful in making measured use of time. While the attraction of novelty induces us to upset the existing state of things, the force of habit persuades us to leave things as they are. No one can tell in advance which of these tendencies will prevail in any determined field in two or three decades from now. In the life of nations we must pledge our rigid engagements only for a limited span of time, and trust that they will endure for longer and longer periods.

Now that the atmosphere is propitious for peace, whether from choice or necessity, it is the moment to start to work. When the price of wheat at Liverpool may ruin the year's toil of the farmer of Iowa, or the price of copper in London close the mines of North and South America, we feel that the world must be made to understand itself better, if peace and prosperity are to return.

"Did you see that line where he compared my stage presence with that of John Drew?"

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a ruddy glare, visible for miles around.

The aeroplanes flew backwards and forwards across the city and the Settlement, the deep roar of their engines being punctuated by the crack of rifles and the rattle of machine-guns from the regions where the fighting was heaviest.

AMAZING SCENE FROM SETTLEMENT.

The scene from the top of the Reuter Building in the Settlement was amazing. Around it immediately was the peaceful and brilliantly lit Settlement, while three miles away bitter fighting was going on in the heart of congested Chapei, added to which was the terror of the fire which was then roaring through building after building.

At six o'clock this morning, the Japanese and Chinese were still locked in death grips to the tune of aeroplane engines overhead.

MAYOR'S SACRIFICE IN VAIN.

One of the most disappointed men this morning is the Mayor, Mr. Wu Tieh-chen, who, by accepting the Japanese demands, thought he had saved Chapei. He was much criticised by the Chinese for his decision, and in his defence he sadly declared: "Because I am the servant of Greater Shanghai, it is my duty to save Shanghai. In order to save Shanghai, I have sacrificed personal feelings and have disregarded personal honour or dishonour, praise or blame."

Yet within twelve hours, his city was a ghastly battlefield, much of it going up in flames.

The official Japanese casualties to 4 a.m. were stated to be

Four Killed

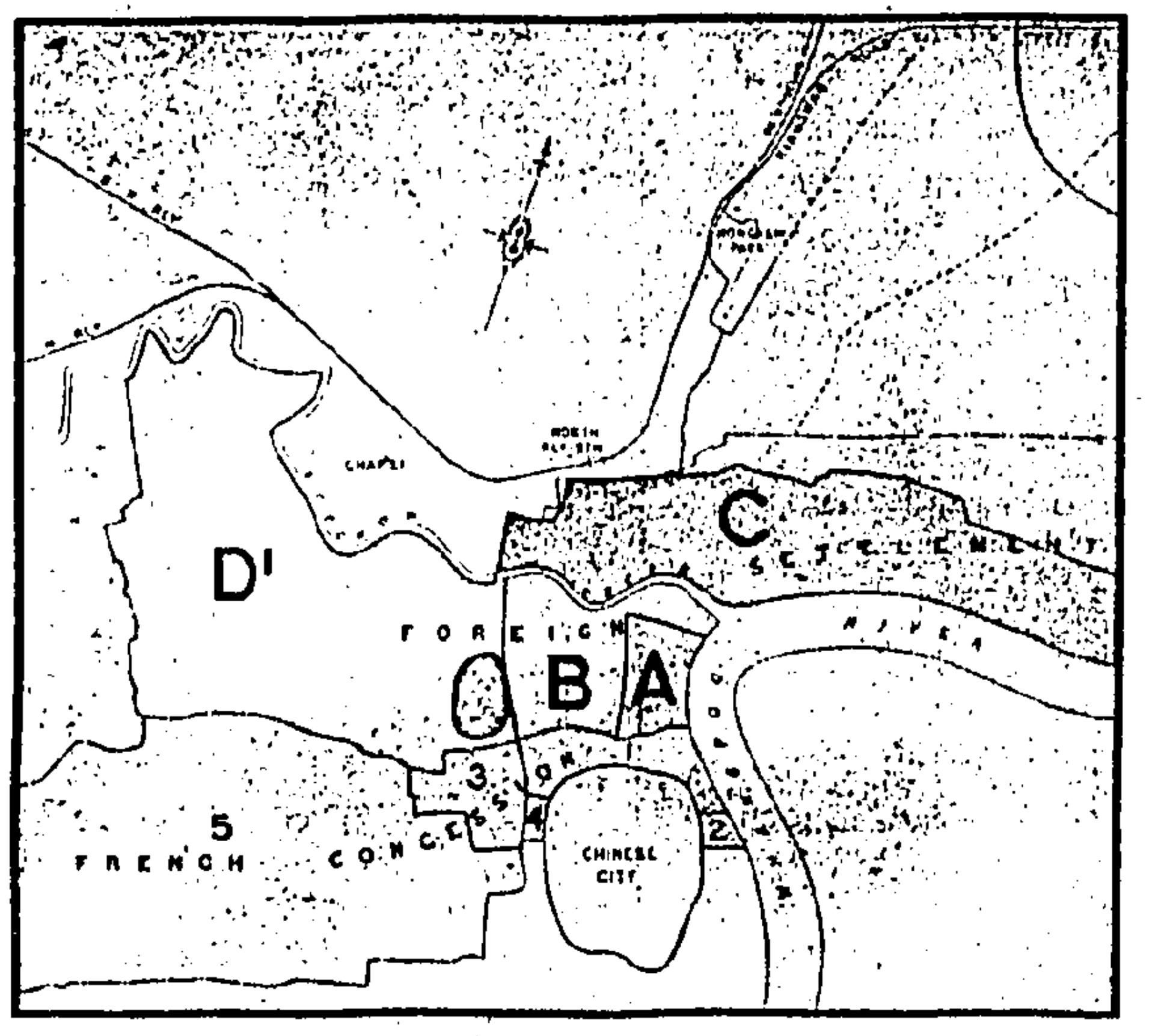
Twenty-nine Wounded.

The Chinese casualties it is impossible to ascertain, communication between the Settlement and the Chinese forces in Chapei being non-existent.

The Japanese occupied the Chinese military headquarters in Chapei at 6.15 a.m., but lost the railway station when the Japanese troops there were diverted to the aid of another hard-pressed detachment.

Japanese marines have landed at Pootung to protect the Japanese mills.

Dawn this morning was the signal for further bombing, three deafening explosions marking the first streak of light from the east, followed by several at intervals. Five aeroplanes have been circling over Chapei since 4.30 a.m.



Map showing the position of Chapei in relation to the International Settlement and the Chinese city.

ACCORDING TO PLAN.

The Japanese occupation of Chapei began "according to plan," shortly after midnight.

The Japanese marines to whom the task had been delegated were lined up outside the barracks in Hongkew Park, with seven formidable-looking armoured cars warming up ready to co-operate with them and twenty motor-lorries in readiness to transport the marines into Chinese territory.

The pavements were crowded with Japanese residents, very few other foreigners watching the operations.

ZERO HOUR.

At "zero hour," the first four lorry-loads of marines moved off amid the wild cheers of the Japanese onlookers, while numerous Japanese photographers, all prepared, took an endless series of flashlight photographs.

The system of occupation consisted in dropping strong detachments at the street openings leading into Chapei, and at a given signal, all advanced into the Chinese district, while other detachments followed up quickly, laying telephone lines in the wake of the advancing marines and bluejackets.

CHAPEI DESERTED.

Just previously, a Reuter's man had penetrated into Chapei and had found the streets deserted.

There was not a single Chinese soldier to be seen at the Shanghai North railway station, although the Japanese alleged that the presence of four thousand Chinese troops in this area constituted a menace to Japanese life and property which must be removed.

The North Station was occupied by the Japanese without resistance, but later in the process of occupation, firing broke out.

The Japanese state that fighting is going on. Seventeen minutes after the first shot had been fired, two lorry-loads of disarmed Chinese soldiers were brought in to Japanese headquarters.

MORE MEN LANDED.

About three o'clock this morning, the Japanese landed a further thousand bluejackets to assist in the patrolling of the Hongkew district, while their compatriots were carrying out the occupation of Chapei.

After some hours of fighting, seven Japanese wounded men were brought into the headquarters at Hongkew.

The Japanese have driven a wedge across the North of Chapei and are now sweeping in towards the Settlement, penning the Chinese between them and the Settlement boundaries. The Chinese are at bay and are fighting desperately in some sections of the city.—*Reuter*.

NAVAL STATEMENT.

At 9.15 o'clock this morning, the Senior Naval Officer on H.M.S. Cornwall sent the following message to the Commodore in Hongkong:

"It is reported that the Japanese have occupied Chapei. Intermittent firing was observed until after daylight this morning. International Settlement apears quiet. Further signal well be made when situation is clearer."

Heavy Chinese Casualties.

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

Chinese police and soldiers of the Nineteenth Route Command, participated in the fighting. They have suffered many casualties and wounded soldiers were being admitted to hospital in large numbers this morning.

The Japanese military officers directing operations have issued a notification requesting the citizens to continue with their routine work.

Chinese City Defences.

The Chinese Municipal Government has mobilised all the police in the Chinese city for the preservation of peace. Soldiers of the Nineteenth Route Command are patrolling the streets, following an appeal by the leading firms in the Chinese City for protection.

General Tsai Ting-kai, the officer commanding, is supervising the Chinese defence. Pedestrians on the streets are subjected to rigid interrogation this morning while all the hotels and boarding houses in the Chinese City have refused to admit visitors.—*Rensha*.

Demonstration Stopped.

A monster Chinese meeting in a protest against the Japanese "threat" to Shanghai was planned yesterday, but the meeting was stopped by Chinese Police who prevented them from entering the Public Recreation Ground, the proposed scene of the demonstration. The Government has also taken over all the seized Japanese goods stored at the headquarters of the Anti-Japanese Boycott Society.—*Rensha*.

CHINA COMMAND MUM.

TROOP MOVEMENT QUESTION.

Enquiries at Headquarters Command this morning as to whether the sending any troops from Hongkong to Shanghai was contemplated were met with the reply:—"We are making no statement on the matter".

A Staff Officer said that nothing could be divulged, as they had to give an imitation of an oyster!

So far no British warships have left Hongkong for Shanghai. It is pointed out by the naval authorities that the matter is one for the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, who is now on a southern cruise.

The Kent is at present in Batavia, where Admiral Kelly is keeping in touch with events in Shanghai. No movements from Hongkong will be made unless at the direction of the Commander-in-Chief.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

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July 1.11 no change.
September 1.16 up 1 pt.
December 1.21 no change.

Sourabaya (28/1/32).—Trust Mills sold Whites 13,000 tons at £6.50—buyers and price not disclosed.

PEAK RICKSHA INCIDENT.

AMBULANCE DRIVER CHARGED.

DELAYED SUMMONS.

An incident on The Peak, in which Mrs. J. W. Franks, wife of the Superintendent of Prisons, alleged that a ricksha in which she was travelling narrowly averted a collision with a motor ambulance on its way to the Matilda Hospital was recalled before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning when the driver of the motor ambulance, Li Yin, attached to the Fire Brigade, was summoned for dangerous driving.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared for the defendant, and, on entering a plea of not guilty, applied for particulars of the facts which were alleged to constitute dangerous driving on the part of the defendant.

Inspector C. F. Alexander told his Worship that at 1.15 p.m. on December 17, Mrs. Franks was riding in a ricksha on Stubbs Road going from the direction of The Peak towards Homestead Flats and an ambulance was travelling up Stubbs Road from the direction of Hongkong to the Matilda Hospital. When it was some distance away, the ricksha was crossing the road when the ambulance swerved to the left and nearly collided with the ricksha. If there had been a collision Mrs. Franks and a child, who were in the ricksha, would have been thrown over the bank.

Details Wanted.

Mr. Lo remarked that it was not sufficient to state the facts of the case. What he wanted to know was what actually constituted the dangerous driving. From what he understood, the ambulance drove up and turned the bend. He could see nothing to his mind which had been disclosed to constitute dangerous driving. Was it the swerving to the left or the speed of the ambulance?

Inspector Alexander said that it was the swerving to the left without regard to other traffic. The ricksha was turning to the right and the ambulance went straight for it and then swerved back to the right to take the bend. If the ricksha had gone on, it would have collided with the ambulance.

Delay in Summons.

Mr. Lo said he would also like to know the reason for the delay in taking out the summons. The alleged offence took place on December 17, and almost a month later the application for the summons was made. He did not know what ruling his Worship had made in that connexion, but his predecessors on the Bench had made a rule that unless traffic summonses were applied for and taken out without any undue delay, they would be dismissed on the grounds of delay. Mr. Lo asked his Worship to dismiss the summons on the ground of delay.

His Worship, on referring to the summons, remarked that the date of the occurrence was December 17 and the application was made on January 20.

Lot of Correspondence.

Inspector Alexander replied that the reason for the delay was that there was a lot of correspondence in the matter, and the Inspector General of Police had been considering it. The traffic Department were then instructed to take action.

His Worship:—When were these instructions given to you?

Inspector Alexander:—On January 20.

His Worship:—Of course it puts the defence at rather a disadvantage to have the case postponed for so long. They may have forgotten about it.

Inspector Alexander replied that he did not think the defence would have forgotten the incident, as statements had been taken from the driver after the occurrence.

His Worship pointed out to Mr. Lo that the delay was due to correspondence and consideration of the case. He did not think it was a case of actual negligence or anything like that. He thought he should proceed with the case.

The hearing was adjourned to Thursday next at 11.15 p.m.

SHANGHAI BANKS CLOSED.

EXCHANGE BUSINESS AT STANDSTILL.

Telegrams have been received in the Colony to the effect that the native banks and gold bar market in Shanghai have closed down, in consequence of the crisis caused by Japan's action.

As a result exchange business is at a standstill. There were expections of a rise in exchange, but indications are that conditions are easy. In Hongkong, the market is quietly steady, with rates unchanged.

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF RECORD MUSIC.

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7.05-8.00 p.m. Variety.

Orchestral-Mean to Me.
Ted Wallace and His Campus Boys.
Orchestral-Sweet Music.
Paul Specht and His Orchestra. 5455.
Humorous Song-He's Tall, Dark and Handsome.
Humorous Song-Virginia (There's a Blue Ridge in my Heart).
Sophie Tucker. 4942.
Organ Solo-Little Pal.
Organ Solo-I'm in Seventh Heaven.
Terance Casey. 5625.
Humorous Monologue-The Picnic.
William McCulloch. 5570.
Piano Solo-Jasmine.
Piano Solo-Sweet Nothings.
Billy Mayerl. 5671.
Vocal Duet-On the Top of the World, Alone.
Vocal Duet-Through!
Layton and Johnstone. 5586.
Saxophone Solo-The Sweetest Kiss of All.
Saxophone Solo-Sax Serene.
Rudy Weidoeft. 4237.
Vocal Duet-Mon Cœur.
Maurice Chevalier and Yvonne Vallee.
Song-Je Ne Dis Pas Non.
Maurice Chevalier. 4402.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.05-8.40 p.m. Orchestral.

Prisoner of Love (Razaf-Waller).
Handsome Gigolo (Casucci).
Albert Sandler and His Orch. DB39.
Chanson Bohemienne (Boldi-Nussabaum).
The Clock is Playing (Blaauw).
Jean Lensen and His Orch. 4741.
The Language of the Nightingale (Gennin).
The Jolly Whistlers (Gennin).
The Bournemouth Municipal Orch. with Piccolos. DB178.
Fantome (Daniderff).
Serenade Passionee (Silesu).
Jean Lensen and His Orch. DB26.
Second Serenade (Toselli arr. Geehl).
Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsakow arr. Kreisler).
Jean Lensen and His Orch. 3919.

8.40-9.43 p.m. A Concert.

Song-The Chocolate Soldier-My Hero (Stange and Strauss).
Song-The Merry Widow-Vilia (Ross-Lehar).
Virginia Perry with Chorus. 4384.
Organ Solo-Devotion (Ketelbey).
Organ Solo-Pleading (Haydn Wood).
Terance Casey. 5384.
Song-I Love the Moon (Rubens).
Song-The Little Green Balcony (McDermaid-Coates).
Hubert Eisdell (Tenor). 4811.
Instrumental-"Kashmiri Song" and "Till I Wake" from "The Four Indian Love Lyrics" (Amy Woodforde-Finden).
Jacques Jacob's Ensemble. 3983.
Chorus-Island Sheiling Song (Hebridean Song).
Chorus-(a) Blow, My Bully Boys, Blow (b) Billy Boy (arr. Sir R. Terry).
Greenock Male Voice Choir. 4523.
Piano Solo-Wagneria (Doucet).
Piano Solo-Chopinata (Doucet).
Clement Doucet. 4636.
Negro Spiritual:-Run, Mary, Run (Arr. Guion).
Negro Spiritual-Nobody Knows de Trouble I Sees (arr. Guion).
Edna Thomas (Soprano). 5194.
Octet-Melody (Dawes).
Octet-Moonbeams and Shadows (Squire).
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 5639.
Song-Sittin' Thinkin' (Tempest and Fisher).
Song-You Along O' Me (O'Reilly-Sanderson).
Malcolm McEachern (Bass). 4855.

9.43-10.11 p.m. Musical Comedy and Talkie Tunes.

Mr. Cinders-Spread a Little Happiness.
Binnie Hale (Soprano).
Mr. Cinders-I'm a One-Man Girl.
Binnie Hale (Soprano) and Bobby Howes. 5334.
Bitter Sweet-If Love Were All.
Bitter Sweet-Bitter Sweet.
Jack Payne and His B. B. C. Dance Orchestra. 5443.
Nippy-The Toy Town Party.
Nippy-Nippy.
Binnie Hale (Soprano) with Debroy Somers Band. DB349.
Whoopee-Film Songs Medley.
Billy Cotton and His Band. DB382.

10.11-10.27 p.m. Operatic.

La Tosca-Prelude Act 3 (Puccini).
Milan Symphony Orchestra. 5394.
Aida-Grand March (Verdi).
Milan Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. 9605.
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10.27 p.m. Rugby Mid-Day Press News.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

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London, Jan. 28.

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MAMAK HOCKEY MATCH.

RADIO SPORTS CLUB TEAM FOR TO-DAY.

The following members of the Radio Sports Club will represent the hockey eleven in the Mamak Competition against the Central British Association at Caroline Hill at 5 p.m. this afternoon: A. Spary, Parduman Singh, J. S. Grewal, M. H. Hassan, A. E. P. Guest, Mohinnder Singh, Harbhajan Singh, J. T. K. Gilchrist, Gurbachan Singh, and F. A. Kemp. Reserves.—Surjin Singh, Karnail Singh and Attar Singh.

The above Radio Team will also play another M. H. T. Hockey match against R.A.S.C. at 11 a.m. on Sunday at Caroline Hill.

Club v. Argylls.

The Hongkong Hockey Club first eleven are playing the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders on the U.S.R.C. ground at 5 p.m. on Wednesday and will be represented by the following players: G. Duncan; W. Woodward, J. Rodger; W. A. Reed, A. A. Dand, E. V. Reed; H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, D. R. Evans and J. L. Tetley.

Club Seconds v. Recreio.

On Monday the Hongkong Hockey Club seconds will meet the Club de Recreio on the Club ground at 5 p.m. with the following team: E. S. Moses; L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan; G. F. Rees, E. G. S. Dale, A. A. R. Botelho; D. R. Kilbee, S. J. H. Fox, W. A. Nowers, S. Hill and E. C. Fincher.

Yesterday's Game.

The Royal Signals met the "Incognitos" in the Mamak Hockey Tournament yesterday and played a goalless draw after a fast and interesting game.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

ARMY TO MEET CANTON TEAMS.

By kind permission of the General Officer Commanding British Troops in China, an Army football team is proceeding to Canton on the evening of February 5 to play two matches against a representative team of that city.

All money realised by the two games will go to a fund which is being raised in Canton in aid of Chinese charities.

A strong team has been selected for this short tour and the team will take part in a match against the Singapore Malayan Chinese on Saturday, January 30, on the Caroline Hill ground at 4 p.m.

The Army team consists of the following players.—Hastie (Argyll and S.H.), Frearson (Royal Artillery), Morrison (S. W. Borderers), Gordon (Argyll and S.H.), Channing (S. W. Borderers), Underwood (S. W. Borderers), Harris (S. W. Borderers), McTavish (Argyll and S.H.), Wylie (Argyll and S.H.), Campbell (Argyll and S.H.), Duncan (S. W. Borderers). Reserves: Henderson (Argyll and S.H.), and Bryant (Royal Artillery).

Malayan Team.

Kam Pak, Cheuk Wah, Kam Thang, Hor Kwon, Khik Hoe, Lim Lock, Edien Then, Shan Tak, Man Kit, Hai Shan and Kit Shang.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE SECONDS TO PLAY BORDERERS.

On the Civil Service ground tomorrow afternoon the home team will meet the South Wales Borderers in a second Division League match and will be represented by the following players: H. E. Strange (Capt.); B. C. K. Hawkins, A. E. Wood, S. Randle, W. H. Edmonds, A. W. Grimmitt, R. G. Robertson, R. H. Woodman, N. Bebbington, J. F. McGowan and F. E. Matthews.

University v. Recreio.

The University seconds will entertain the Club de Recreio whose team for to-morrow's League match is as follows: H. A. Alves, H. M. Xavier, Dr. A. P. Guterres, A. Prata, L. J. Guterres, L. J. Silva, J. H. Figueiredo, A. P. Pereira, F. J. Remedios, H. A. Barros and F. H. Carvalho.

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Chartered Banks, £12¾ n.
Mercantile A. and B., £18 n.
East Asia, $127½ n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., $1,350 n.
Union Ins., $410 n.
China Underwriters, $4.62½ n.
China Fires, $590 n.
H.K. Fire In., $1,250 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, $25. b.
H. K. Steamboats, $23 b.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) $45 s.
Union Waterboats, $25 n.

Mining.

Benguets, $11.75 b.
Kailans, 30/- s
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.
Raubs, $39 s.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, $158 s.
Whampoa Docks, $29 n.
South China Motors $10 n.
Providents (old) $5.30 sa.
Hongkews, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90½ n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons Tls. 16 sa.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80½ b.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H.K. Hotels (old) $15.10 s.
H.K. S. Hotels (new) $14.75 n.
H. K. Lands, $81½ sa.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 30 n.
Humphreys' $19 n.
Realties, $11.65. b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, $22.50 sa.
Peak Trams, (old), $15.60 n.
Star Ferries, $101½ n.
China Lights, $26.90 sa.
H. K. Electrics, $77¾ sa.
Macao Electrics, $23 n.
Telephones, $43 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- b.

Industrials.

Malbons $38 s.
Canton Ice., $5 b.
Cements (com.) $19.10 s.
Ropes, $17¾ n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, $29 b.
Watsons, $16.50 n.
Der A. Wings, $1 n.
Lane Crawfords, $6.35 n.
Mackintosh, $19 n.
Sinceres $16 b.
Powells, $3.60 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, $19.90 n.
Entertainments (old) $16¼ s.
Constructions (old), $5.30 n.
S. C. Enterprises $10 n.
Constructions (new), $2 sa.
B. Ind. G. $ Bonds, $58% n.
Loans, $3% b. Prem.

"DEAD" MAN ARRESTED.

SWINDLER AS MOURNER AT HIS OWN FUNERAL.

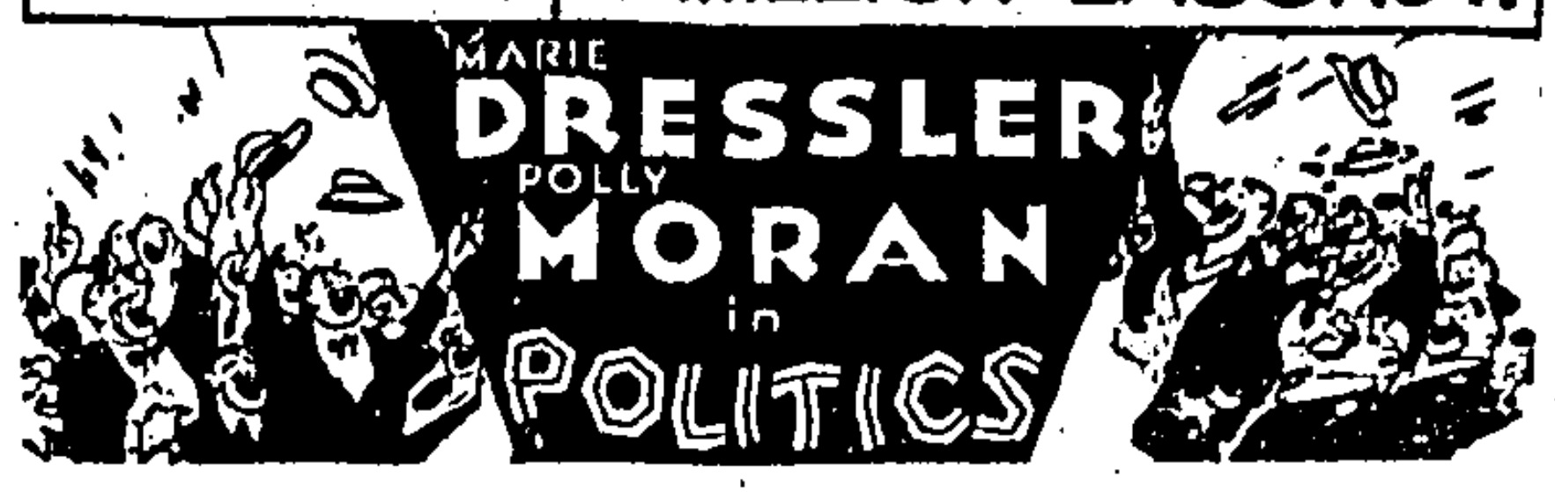
Lyons, Dec. 23.

A man who was arrested here on a trivial charge, when questioned as to how he came to have a considerable sum of money on his person, admitted that it was the proceedings of an audacious scheme by which he had obtained 150,000 francs (£1,250 at par) from an insurance company.

He explained that six or seven months ago he arranged with a woman friend that he should "die" in order that she could draw the insurance money on his life. Painting his face, a yellowy-green, the man took a drug which induced deep sleep. Doctors were called in, and after a cursory examination gave a certificate permitting his burial.

When the man had recovered from the effects of the narcotic a mummy was placed in the coffin and the funeral went off without a hitch. The man himself, heavily disguised, followed as one of the mourners.

In the meantime the woman had drawn the 150,000 francs insurance money, and it was arranged that the couple should leave Lyons and live in another city.



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Marie Dressler who will be seen on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre in the new Metro-Goldwin-Mayer comedy "Politics," is one person who hasn't succumbed to the mad whirl of modern sophistication.

Still following the simple and homely philosophy which, she states, has brought her success and contentment, she stands out as a lone star in a field of rush and bustle.

"I'll tell you what's the matter with the world to-day," asserted Miss Dressler recently, "everyone is so busy trying to capture the big things of life that they are passing up the little things, the sweet and kind things, which are, after all, the big things.

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"Only Saps Work."

Tumultuous comedy marched into the King's Theatre to-day with the opening of "Only Saps Work," the Paramount talkie version of one of Owen Davis' justly-famous plays.

And it marched in the erratic, sneezy tempo of that elastic kneed leg of Mr. Leon Errol, dean of the school of Tricky Falls.

But it must be said at once, that the laugh-confection at the King's Theatre is not all comedy, for there is just the proper balance of a boy-and-girl romance, interwoven with basis plot of mystery, quick-change situation and comical crookedness.

Richard Arlen and Mary Brian are the boy and girl who finally achieve the fade-out embrace after going through the amusing and exciting paces set for them by the author. They turn in first-rate performances. And it is apparent to any one with half an eye for feminine beauty that Miss Brian is sweeter than ever.

The story revolves around Errol, who is a care-free gentleman of the lightfingered profession with a soft spot in his heart for Arlen, whom he has met in a boarding house. When Arlen takes a job as a pantry boy at an exclusive Health Farm, Errol goes with him, posing as a private detective in search of some mysterious crooks. In reality Errol has just robbed a bank and is covering up his theft by his trip to the Health Farm.

Mary Brian arrives at the institution to care for her ailing father, and Arlen is forced to resort to many hilariously funny subterfuges to prevent her from seeing him there, in the position of a menial.

There is a series of grand mix-ups in which Stuart Erwin, as a bellboy, takes instructions in sleuthing from Errol; two detectives arrive to arrest Errol; and two more detectives arrive to arrest the first detective.

It all comes out right-side up at the finish. With Errol leading the laughs it couldn't go wrong.

"The Secret Call."

Richard Arlen and Peggy Shannon (latest Hollywood "find") are co-featured in "The Secret Call," tensely gripping romantic drama of modern political intrigue in a big city, which will be the main feature on the bill at the King's Theatre on Sunday next.

The story which was written by William B. de Mille, famous figure in moviedom for many years, deals with the lives of a boy and girl who are inextricably bound in the activities of a big political "party machine."

Miss Shannon is seen as the daughter of a politician, a one time henchman of the "Big Boss" who is made the "goat" in a city-wide investigation of the practice of his party. He alone bears the disgrace which is due the entire "machine."

The girl swears vengeance on "the boss" after her father dies, broken hearted by the disgrace. To earn a livelihood she becomes a telephone operator in a big hotel. When her enemy, "the boss," makes this hotel his headquarters she learns enough facts about his shady operations in politics to send him to jail. But she is in love with Arlen, son of "the boss"... and thus is caught between a burning desire for vengeance, and an impulse to protect her lover. The plot carries on through a series of high-voltage situations, to the staccato accompaniment of fast dialogue. The denouement is a happy one.

A large cast of competent actors supports Miss Shannon and Arlen. Among them are William B. Davidson, the magistrate of "The Vice Squad," Harry Beresford, elderly apartment-seeker of "Up Pops the Devil," Ned Sparks and Jed Prouty, hotel habitues of "The Devil's Holiday," Jane Keith, Selmer Jackson and Claire Dodd.

"Beyond Victory" Scores Success.

The public taste for something new and entirely different in the matter of screen entertainment is gratified by "Beyond Victory" a fine Pathe picture which was shown with great success at the Central Theatre. It is from start to finish a highly impressive production.

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"Beyond Victory" tells not one, but four separate and distinct stories linked by a fifth sequence which portrays a dramatic situation in the Great War when four soldiers from different walks of life, face almost certain death. And in each of these separate stories the dominant and most dramatic incident in the civilian lives of the four men is unfolded—incidents which in themselves contain all the ingredients necessary for the ordinary picture.

The four soldiers are played by William Boyd, James Gleason, Fred Scott and Lew Cody, while in the civilian sequences there are stars and featured players including Zasu Pitts, Marion Shilling Lissi Arna and Theodore Von Eltz, Excellent support is given by Russell Gleason, Mary Carr, Wade Boteler, Bert Roach, S. H. Calvert, Fred Walton, Rockliffe Fellowes, Lora Baxter and Hedwiga Reicher. The direction by John Robertson was n every respect praiseworthy as also, was the photography by John Mescall. The sound reproduction was perfect.

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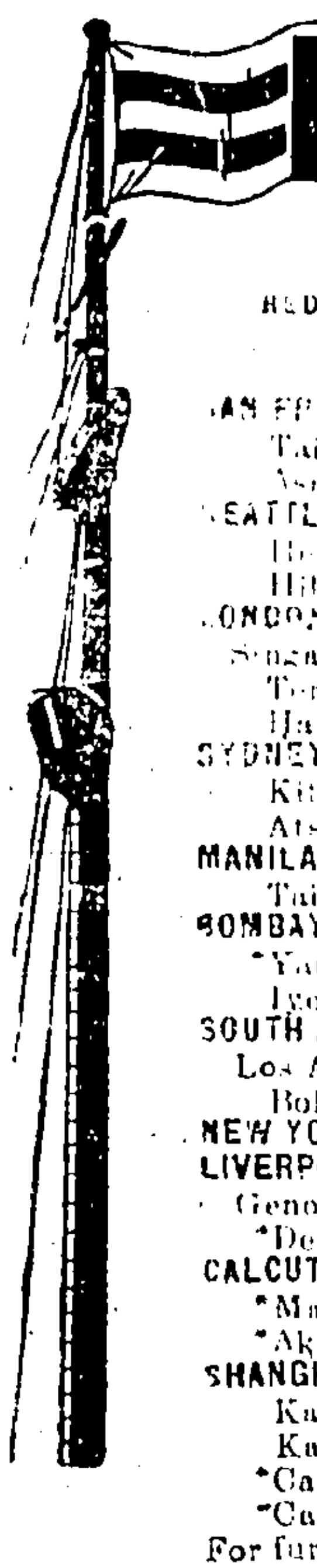

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THE OCCUPATION OF CHAPEI.

(Continued from Page 2.)

State, Mr. H. L. Stimson, and the British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Lindsay, the United States Government have sent a communication to London which is now under the examination of the British Goverament, regarding the situation in Shanghai.

According to press reports, the Chinese authorities continue to display indecision regarding the Japanese demand for the suppression of the anti-Japanese boycott and the demonstrations which are taking place in Shanghai, and drastic action is threatened failing a satisfactory reply.—*British Wireless.*

American Move.

New York, Jan. 28.

The United States is awaiting Britain's answer to the suggestion that a common stand should be made against the Japanese "invasion" of China.

All signs, according to the Associated Press correspondent at Washington, point to some definite action being taken, as high officials have been studying with unconcealed gravity the ominous developments at Shanghai. Two possible lines of action are unofficially suggested British and American economic pressure, which would include blockading, or an embargo on Japanese goods; and a joint naval display in Chinese waters. *Reuter's American Service.*

British Ambassador & Stimson.

Washington, Jan. 28.

The British Ambassador has had a long interview with Mr. Stimson at the latter's home, on the situation at Shanghai.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Memoranda to Japan.

Washington, Jan. 28.

On the eve of the termination of the Japanese ultimatum to China, the State Department has published all the correspondence with Japan and China and the League with reference to Manchuria, in response to a resolution by the Senate.

It consists of 64 pages of documents sent to the Senate by Mr. Stimson, and reveals a number of sharply-worded memoranda to Japan, hitherto not published. The fact that this complete file was furnished to the Senate at a critical moment of the situation is taken to indicate definitely that the State Department desires, without reservation, to disclose its relations with Japan before any further steps are taken.—*Reuter's American Service.*

More Information Sought.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

It is learned that Washington has requested Tokyo to give more specific information as to what steps are contemplated at Shanghai.

It is understood that the communication could not be regarded as a protest, but more in the form of an enquiry.—*Reuter.*

Japan's Standpoint.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

Apprehension that the Japanese will take action inside the International Settlement at Shanghai is absolutely unfounded, declares the Foreign Office spokesman. As the Shanghai Municipal authorities have promised to close the anti-Japanese headquarters in the International Settlement, the Japanese action will be confined to forcibly closing the offices of the anti-Japanese associations outside the Settlement, and removing goods illegally seized by the boycotters.

While regretting the "misapprehensions under which Washington appears to be labouring," the spokesman emphasises the hope that violence will be avoided, and intimates that the Japanese action is mainly intended to "quieten our own people, whose indignation at the recent incidents has reached such a pitch that they might attempt to take matters into their own hands, if nothing is done."

It is stated here that the French Consul General at Shanghai has promised to afford protection to Japanese inside the French Concession.—*Reuter.*

Japan Explains.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

For the purpose of avoiding any misunderstanding regarding the contemplated naval operations at Shanghai, Mr. Yoshizawa has instructed the Japanese diplomatic representatives abroad to explain to the Governments to which they are accredited that so long as the Chinese authorities permit the existence of anti-Japanese organisations and allow other lawless elements to continue their lawless activities, Japan will be forced to adopt strong measures in self-defence, for the protection of the Japanese in Shanghai and elsewhere.

Three more warships have been ordered to prepare to proceed to Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

THE HARBIN OUTBREAK.

GENERAL MA AS MEDIATOR.

Harbin, Jan. 28, 6.38 p.m.

The picturesque figure of General Ma Chan-shan, the defender of the Nonni River and Tsitsihar has appeared in the limelight again to-day, and to his intervention Harbin owes thanks for being spared the horrors of war.

Through his mediation the contending armies have agreed on peace terms and Ting Chao's forces are withdrawing outside the limits of Harbin.—*Reuter.*

Despatch of Troops Explained.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

The War Office in a statement to the press explains that the commander of the Japanese army in Manchuria decided to despatch troops to Harbin after receiving an urgent request from the chairman of the Japanese Residents' Association, who stressed the grave danger to which the Japanese colony was exposed through the depredations of Ting Chao's troops, who have already inflicted death and injuries on a number of Japanese and Koreans. —*Reuter.*

The Japanese Troops.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

It is learned that a total of about 1,000 troops have been sent to Harbin, consisting of two battalions of infantry and a battalion of artillery under Major General Hasebe, who commanded the Japanese troops at the Nonni River engagement last November —*Reuter Special.*

Explanation to Russia.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

It is authoritatively stated that the Japanese Ambassador at Moscow has been instructed to explain to the Soviet the reasons necessitating the despatch of troops to Harbin, and at the same time reassure the Soviet that there is no intention to seize or damage the railway; moreover, that Japan will pay the costs of transportation of troops.—*Reuter Special.*

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MRS. ELLEN McLEOD.

DEATH AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Ellen McLeod (wife of Mr. George McLeod of Taikoo) who passed away at the Matilda Hospital last evening, after a long illness. The greatest sympathy of a large circle of friends will go out to the husband and two young sons, aged 15 and 11, in their bereavement. In the thirteen years she had been in the Colony, Mrs. McLeod became known to a great number of local residents.

Both Mr. and Mrs. McLeod are especially well known in musical circles, Mr. McLeod being one of the principal actors, and vocalists of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society. Mrs. McLeod was taken ill at the opening performance of the last Philharmonic production, in which she was to appear, and had never recovered.

The deceased lady, besides her social and musical talents, had other claims to public regard, being an active worker for the Cheer O canteen on behalf of local Service men. By them she will be greatly missed.

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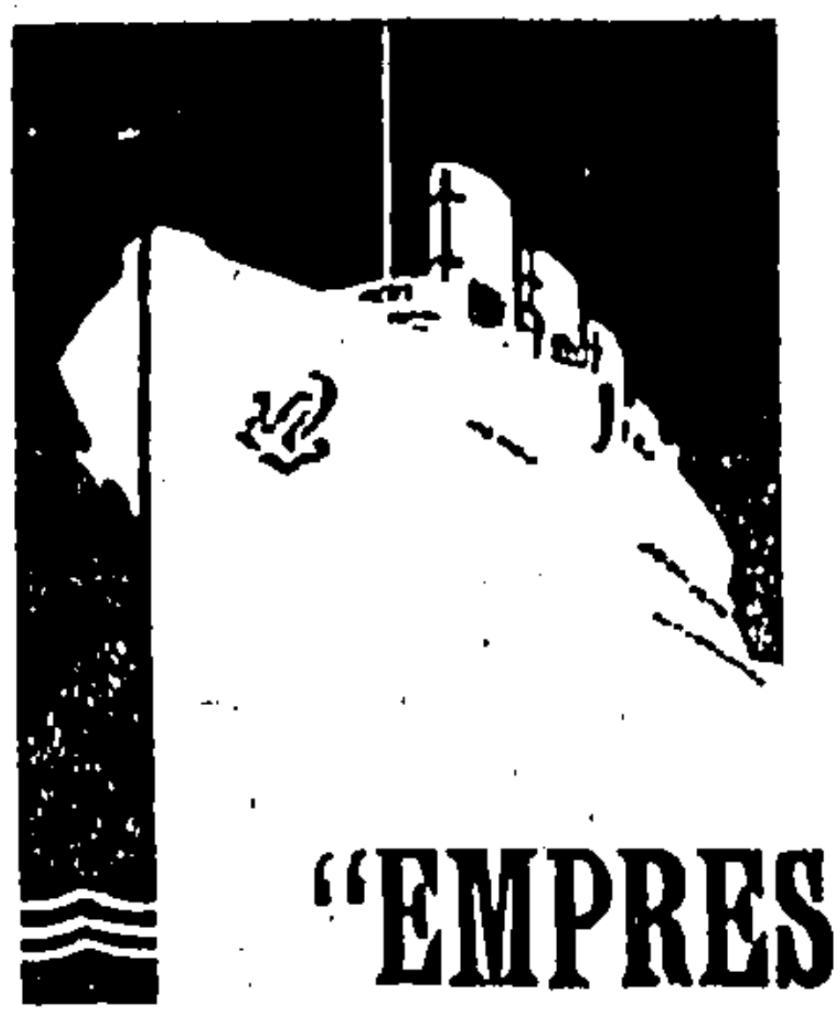

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GEMS OF PERIL.

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jailor. Did he know it yet? Mary could not tell.

"May I inquire why you brought that man aboard?" Bruce demanded angrily as soon as De Loma had departed. "And what does this sudden sailing mean?"

With Louise present, naturally it was impossible to tell him of the night's events. Mary looked doubtfully at Mr. Jupiter, before replying.

"Your father hopes to do a little fishing, I think," she answered. "If he can get the right bait."

Bruce looked from the girl to his father and back again, sensing a double meaning in the words.

"But why take De Loma of all people?" he asked, puzzled.

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Mr. Jupiter cleared his throat and made his first contribution to the conversation. He continued to look with innocent, bland eyes at the water decanter in the centre of the table as he spoke.

"Possibly as a companion for the Countess here," he said. He turned to her with elaborate courtesy. "The man is an old friend of yours, I believe you told us?"

The Countess' eyes flashed. She did not reply. It was not possible for her to be longer deceived by the lamblike exterior he had shown her. The "sweet child" was not so guileless as she had believed. She was beginning to have real qualms. She was a lady not without experience, and she had read such signs before. Nervousness, combined with mal de mer, unmanned her for the time being.

She rose and rushed from the room, Bruce following hastily, hurling a savage look at his parent as he did so.

"Brute! To harass a helpless woman!" the look said. Mr. Jupiter chewed industriously. His eye glinted humorously in Mary's direction.

"Take back everything you've ever said about newspaper reporters," Mary told him, "or I won't give you what I've got upstairs."

"And what's that?"

"The Countess' history or part of it. All down in black and white. Newpaper clippings. And George Bowen is the man you have to thank for it."

"Is that so?" Delight made itself evident in the old man's face. "Well, now, if we get rid of that hussy, we'll have to make that boy a little present."

"Wedding present it will be, I think."

Why did she flush as she said it? George Bowen was nothing to her. It surprised her to find that she missed the faithful lad's adoration, now that it was focussed on the attractive Miss Brown. Wanting only Dirk, she still would have found it pleasant to keep Bowen at her chariot-wheels, too. What a little cat she was! It amazed her to discover this about herself.

Was that could it be—how Dirk felt about Cornelia's dogged pursuit? Was it merely human vanity in both of them? She began to see things in a clearer light.

Remembering Dirk sent her hurrying below to see how he was. The first cloud fell on her day as she opened the door and saw him lying, staring with wide pained eyes at a corner of the empty cabin. Her heart turned over with pity for him. He looked gentler, somehow. Loneliness and helplessness can do that to the most stubborn of us.

She went softly forward, and before he could object, put her arms about him and kissed him on the lips.

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During 1931, 1,186 meters were installed in Hongkong, and 1,278 in Kowloon.

The following are particulars of the total number of meters at the end of each of the three years 1929, 1930 and 1931, and the number installed during each year:

Year ending	Island	Mainland	Total	Installed during Year
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Hankow, Jan. 28.

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THE BATTLE FOR HARBIN.

JAPANESE MASS FORCES.

ON VERGE OF HOSTILITIES.

Tokyo, Jan. 29.

A message from Changchun to the Press states that the first and second Japanese military trains left Kuanchengtsu for Harbin at 9 o'clock and 9.25 last night respectively, while the third train left Changchun at a quarter past one this morning

It is expected that the Japanese will operate the Chinese Eastern Railway branch line between Harbin and Changchun as soon as the Japanese enter Harbin.

The position at Harbin remains unchanged, martial law having been declared. A Consular warning has been issued to foreigners to remain at home after 6 p.m.

Fifty Russian Casualties.

When a Japanese aeroplane was destroyed by fire yesterday, approximately fifty Russians were either killed or wounded by exploding bombs.

A general engagement is expected to-day, the new Kirin forces having advanced along the Southern line and are now within eight miles of Harbin, while twenty Japanese armoured cars with trailers and 650 men are travelling by road and are how within 80 miles of the city.

All stations south of Yaomin are occupied by Japanese, and it is reported that the Soviets are protesting that all the rolling stock is being withdrawn to Harbin.

A strong rumour is current that General Ma Chan-shan is actively supporting the old Kirin forces.—*Reuter.*

IRAK MANDATE TO END.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE LEAGUE.

London, Jan. 28.

The League of Nations Council to-day adopted the report approving the acceptance of Irak as a member of the League as soon as the British Mandate could end.

The Mandate will accordingly terminate at the next League Assembly meeting, when Britain will recommend Irak for membership. —*British Wireless.*

JESUITS FLEE SPAIN.

PATHETIC SCENES AT BARCELONA.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Barcelona, Jan. 29.

The Jesuits are leaving Spain, consequent on the Government's decision to close down their establishments.

All the Jesuit schools here are closed, and the spectacle of priests in mufti, carrying bundles and pictures, is strangely reminiscent of the pathetic scenes at the beginning of the Great War.

Many of the refugees are travelling to Holland to-morrow.

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Of the latter consignment, £1,000,000 worth is for London, and the remainder for France.

THE DISARMAMENT PARLEY.

MR. HENDERSON NOT PESSIMISTIC.

London, Jan. 28.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, before leaving to-day for Geneva, where he will preside at the Disarmament Conference, said he was not discouraged by the existing circumstances in the world, but he was going in a spirit of hope and confidence. The economic and financial position of most countries made it imperative that every effort should be exerted to achieve success.—*British Wireless.*

LEAGUE TO LOSE SECRETARY.

SIR ERIC DRUMMOND ADAMANT.

Geneva, Jan. 28.

The Council of the League to-day unanimously urged Sir Eric Drummond to withdraw his resignation from the position of Secretary-General.

Sir Eric stated that he was unable to accede to the request and it is therefore likely that he will resign early in 1933.—*Reuter.*

RECIPROCITY IN TRADE.

KEYNOTE OF EMPIRE POLICY.

MR. THOMAS' VIEW.

London, Jan. 28.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman and Major Elliot, of the Treasury, accompanied the Secretary for the Dominions, Mr. J. H. Thomas, when he met a delegation representing industrial and commercial interests this afternoon to discuss preparations for the Ottawa Conference.

Referring to the development of secondary industries in the Dominions, Mr. Thomas said British industry should recognise that encouragement of such industries was inevitable, and they should harmonise their policy with that development. Reciprocity must be the keynote of all dealing between parties of the Conference.

The Dominions, through their association with the British Commonwealth, received a great advantage not only in regard to defence, but also through the fact that their loans ranked as trust securities here.

Sir Gilbert Vyle, Chairman of the British Committee on Empire Trade, urged that as the Conference would be mainly economic, the Government delegation should be accompanied by trade and industrial advisers.

Mr. Thomas welcomed the formation of the British Committee on Empire Trade, to which the Government could have ready access on technical questions, and promised sympathetic consideration to Sir Gilbert Vyle's suggestion.—*British Wireless.*

THE PRINCE'S APPEAL.

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(Reuter's Special Service).

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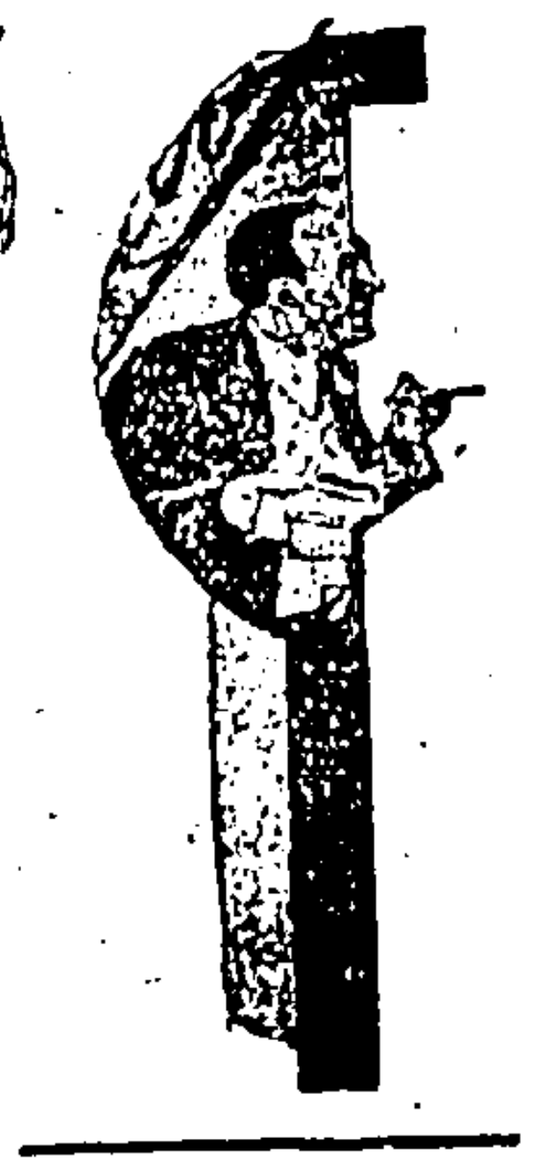

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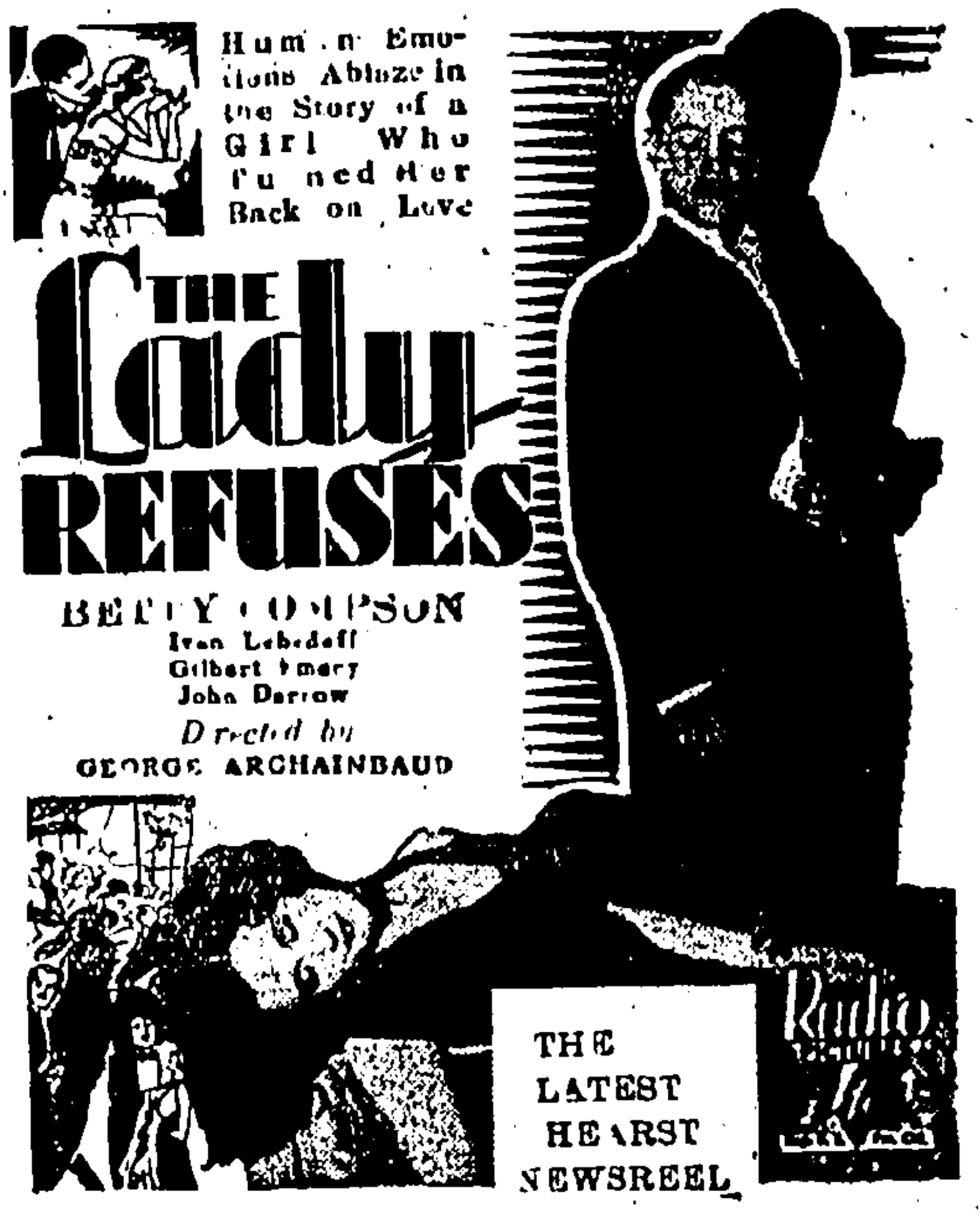

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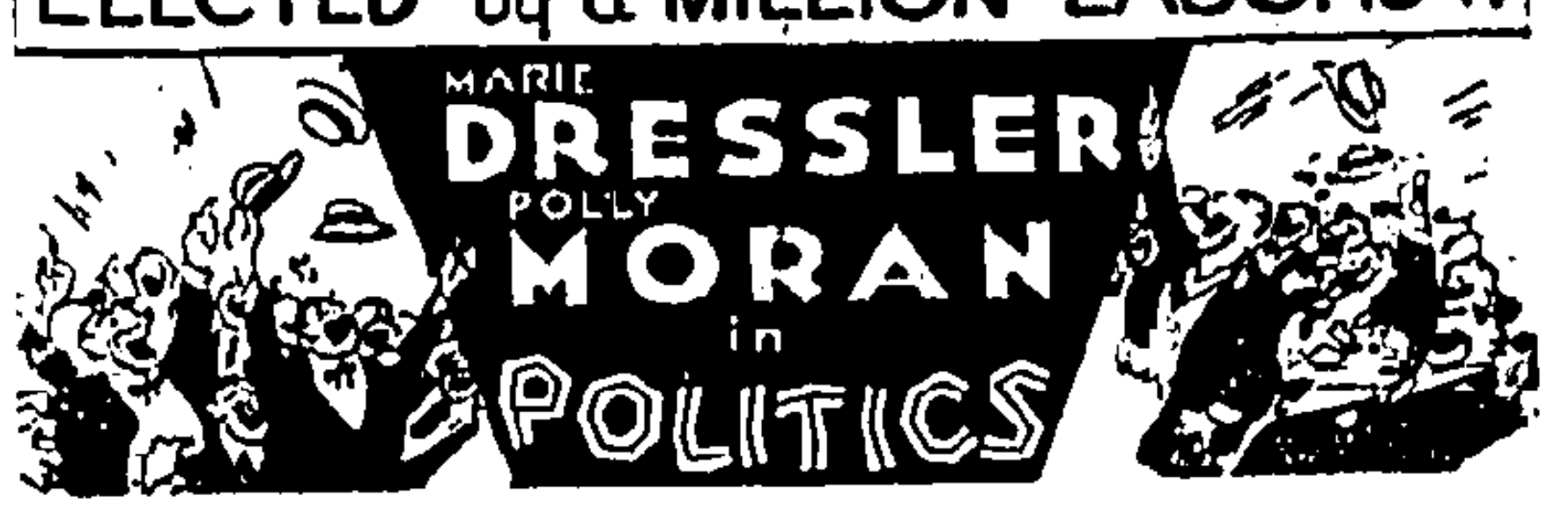

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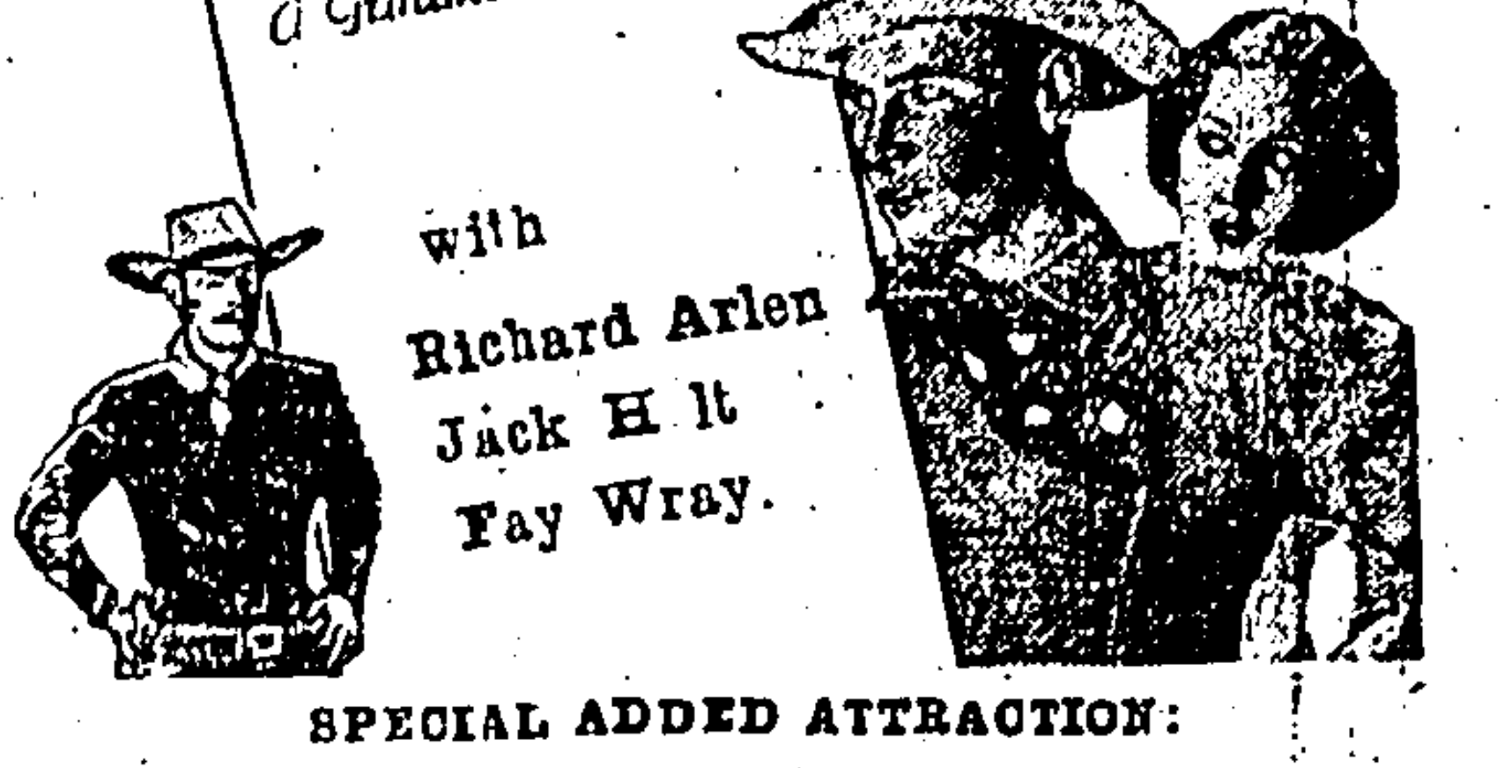

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SHANGHAI BECOMES GHASTLY BATTLEFIELD.

Chapei Heavily Bombed by Japanese Aeroplanes.

THE BATTLE FOR HARBIN.

JAPANESE MASS FORCES.

ON VERGE OF HOSTILITIES.

Tokyo, Jan. 29.

A message from Changchun to the Press states that the first and second Japanese military trains left Kuanchengtsu for Harbin at 9 o'clock and 9.25 last night respectively, while the third train left Changchun at a quarter past one this morning.

It is expected that the Japanese will operate the Chinese Eastern Railway branch line between Harbin and Changchun as soon as the Japanese enter Harbin.

The position at Harbin remains unchanged, martial law having been declared. A Consular warning has been issued to foreigners to remain at home after 6 p.m.

Fifty Russian Casualties.

When a Japanese aeroplane was destroyed by fire yesterday, approximately fifty Russians were either killed or wounded by exploding bombs.

A general engagement is expected to-day, the new Kirin forces having advanced along the Southern line and are now within eight miles of Harbin, while twenty Japanese armoured cars with trailers and 650 men are travelling by road and are now within 80 miles of the city.

All stations south of Yaomin are occupied by Japanese, and it is reported that the Soviets are protesting that all the rolling stock is being withdrawn to Harbin.

A strong rumour is current that General Ma Chan-shan is actively supporting the old Kirin forces.—*Reuter.*

THE PRINCE'S APPEAL.

Hundreds Offer Services.

(Reuter's Special Service).

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JESUITS FLEE SPAIN.

PATHETIC SCENES AT BARCELONA.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Barcelona, Jan. 29.

The Jesuits are leaving Spain, consequent on the Government's decision to close down their establishments.

All the Jesuit schools here are closed, and the spectacle of priests in mufti, carrying bundles and pictures, is strangely reminiscent of the pathetic scenes at the beginning of the Great War.

Many of the refugees are travelling to Holland to-morrow.

RECIPROCITY IN TRADE.

KEYNOTE OF EMPIRE POLICY.

MR. THOMAS' VIEW.

London, Jan. 28.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman and Major Elliot, of the Treasury, accompanied the Secretary for the Dominions, Mr. J. H. Thomas, when he met a delegation representing industrial and commercial interests this afternoon to discuss preparations for the Ottawa Conference.

Referring to the development of secondary industries in the Dominions, Mr. Thomas said British industry should recognise that encouragement of such industries was inevitable, and they should harmonise their policy with that development. Reciprocity must be the keynote of all dealing between parties of the Conference.

The Dominions, through their association with the British Commonwealth, received a great advantage not only in regard to defence, but also through the fact that their loans ranked as trust securities here.

Sir Gilbert Vyle, Chairman of the British Committee on Empire Trade, urged that as the Conference would be mainly economic, the Government delegation should be accompanied by trade and industrial advisers.

Mr. Thomas welcomed the formation of the British Committee on Empire Trade, to which the Government could have ready access on technical questions, and promised sympathetic consideration to Sir Gilbert Vyle's suggestion.—*British Wireless.*

THE DISARMAMENT PARLEY.

MR. HENDERSON NOT PESSIMISTIC.

London, Jan. 28.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, before leaving to-day for Geneva, where he will preside at the Disarmament Conference, said he was not discouraged by the existing circumstances in the world, but he was going in a spirit of hope and confidence. The economic and financial position of most countries made it imperative that every effort should be exerted to achieve success.—*British Wireless.*

IRAK MANDATE TO END.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE LEAGUE.

London, Jan. 28.

The League of Nations Council to-day adopted the report approving the acceptance of Irak as a member of the League as soon as the British Mandate could end.

The Mandate will accordingly terminate at the next League Assemply meeting, when Britain will recommend Irak for membership.—*British Wireless.*

LEAGUE TO LOSE SECRETARY.

SIR ERIC DRUMMOND ADAMANT.

Geneva, Jan. 28.

The Council of the League to-day unanimously urged Sir Eric Drummond to withdraw his resignation from the position of Secretary-General.

Sir Eric stated that he was unable to accede to the request and it is therefore likely that he will resign early in 1933.—*Reuter.*

FIRE SWEEPING THROUGH STORM-CENTRE.

HALF A MILLION CHINESE PASS NIGHT OF HORROR.

STREETS OF CHAPEI DRENCHED WITH MACHINE-GUN BULLETS.

VIVID STORY OF "BATTLE."

SHANGHAI, Jan. 29.

INSTITUTING A VIRTUAL reign of terror, Japanese forces swooped down upon Chapei in the early hours of this morning. Fighting was still proceeding at dawn. Aeroplanes heavily bombed the scenes of battle at intervals, and a tremendous fire has been started, which is sweeping through building after building.

Chapei's night of horror had not ended at dawn; fighting was still going on while half a million Chinese inhabitants were crouched, sleepless, behind roughly barricaded doors, while deadly fire from Japanese machine-guns and rifles were sweeping every street and every alley-way.

There is grave reason to fear that many innocent civilians are among the many Chinese casualties.

At twenty-five minutes past four the order was given which converted Chapei into the focus-point of a demonstration of "frightfulness."

The Japanese commander-in-chief issued a command for the bombardment of part of Chapei by aeroplanes as at one point in the district, the Japanese marines were being sorely harassed by a large nest of Chinese soldiers, who were offering a stiff resistance.

Within five minutes of the issue of the order, a squadron of seaplanes from the aircraft-carrier, Notoro, which is lying in the Whangpoo River in readiness for action of this kind, rose into the pitch-blackness of the night and roared across the Settlement to Chapei, from which came, within a few moments, the terrific detonations of exploding bombs.

Some minutes previously fire had shown itself in Chapei and this quickly grew into tremendous dimensions, lighting up the moonless and starless night with a ruddy glare, visible for miles around.

The aeroplanes flew backwards and forwards across the city and the Settlement, the deep roar of their engines being punctuated by the crack of rifles and the rattle of machine-guns from the regions where the fighting was heaviest.

AMAZING SCENE FROM SETTLEMENT.

The scene from the top of the Reuter Building in the Settlement was amazing. Around it immediately was the peaceful and brilliantly lit Settlement, while three miles away bitter fighting was going on in the heart of congested Chapei, added to which was the terror of the fire which was then roaring through building after building.

At six o'clock this morning, the Japanese and Chinese were still locked in death grips to the tune of aeroplane engines overhead.

MAYOR'S SACRIFICE IN VAIN.

One of the most disappointed men this morning is the Mayor, Mr. Wu Tieh-chen, who, by accepting the Japanese demands, thought he had saved Chapei. He was much criticised by the Chinese for his decision, and in his defence he sadly declared: "Because I am the servant of Greater Shanghai, it is my duty to save Shanghai. In order to save Shanghai, I have sacrificed personal feelings and have disregarded personal honour or dishonour, praise or blame."

Yet within twelve hours, his city was a ghastly battlefield, much of it going up in flames.

The official Japanese casualties to 4 a.m. were stated to be

Four Killed

Twenty-nine Wounded.

The Chinese casualties it is impossible to ascertain, communication between the Settlement and the Chinese forces in Chapei being non-existent.

The Japanese occupied the Chinese military headquarters in Chapei at 6.15 a.m., but lost the railway station when the Japanese troops there were diverted to the aid of another hard-pressed detachment.

Japanese marines have landed at Pootung to protect the Japanese mills.

Dawn this morning was the signal for further bombing, three deafening explosions marking the first streak of light from the east, followed by several at intervals. Five aeroplanes have been circling over Chapei since 4.30 a.m.

ACCORDING TO PLAN.

The Japanese occupation of Chapei began "according to plan," shortly after midnight.

The Japanese marines to whom the task had been delegated were lined up outside the barracks in Hongkew Park, with seven formidable-looking armoured cars warming up ready to co-operate with them and twenty motor-lorries in readiness to transport the marines into Chinese territory.

The pavements were crowded with Japanese residents, very few other foreigners watching the operations.

ZERO HOUR.

At "zero hour," the first four lorry-loads of marines moved off amid the wild cheers of the Japanese onlookers, while numerous Japanese photographers, all prepared, took an endless series of flashlight photographs.

The system of occupation consisted in dropping strong detachments at the street openings leading into Chapei, and at a given signal, all advanced into the Chinese district, while other detachments followed up quickly, laying telephone lines in the wake of the advancing marines and bluejackets.

STRONG PROTEST LODGED.

UNWARRANTED AND ILLEGAL.

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

A STRONG PROTEST against the Japanese attack on Chinese territory has been lodged with the Japanese authorities by Mr. Wu Tieh-chen, the Mayor of Greater Shanghai.

The protest stated that in view of the Chinese acceptance of the Japanese demands and the assurance received from the Japanese Consul-General, the Mayor was greatly surprised when he received a proclamation from Admiral Shiosawa announcing the intention to take military action in Chinese territory.

The protest is believed to characterise the Japanese action as unwarranted and illegal.—*Reuter*

CHAPEI DESERTED.

Just previously, a Reuter's man had penetrated into Chapei and had found the streets deserted.

There was not a single Chinese soldier to be seen at the Shanghai North railway station, although the Japanese alleged that the presence of four thousand Chinese troops in this area constituted a menace to Japanese life and property which must be removed.

The North Station was occupied by the Japanese without resistance, but later in the process of occupation, firing broke out.

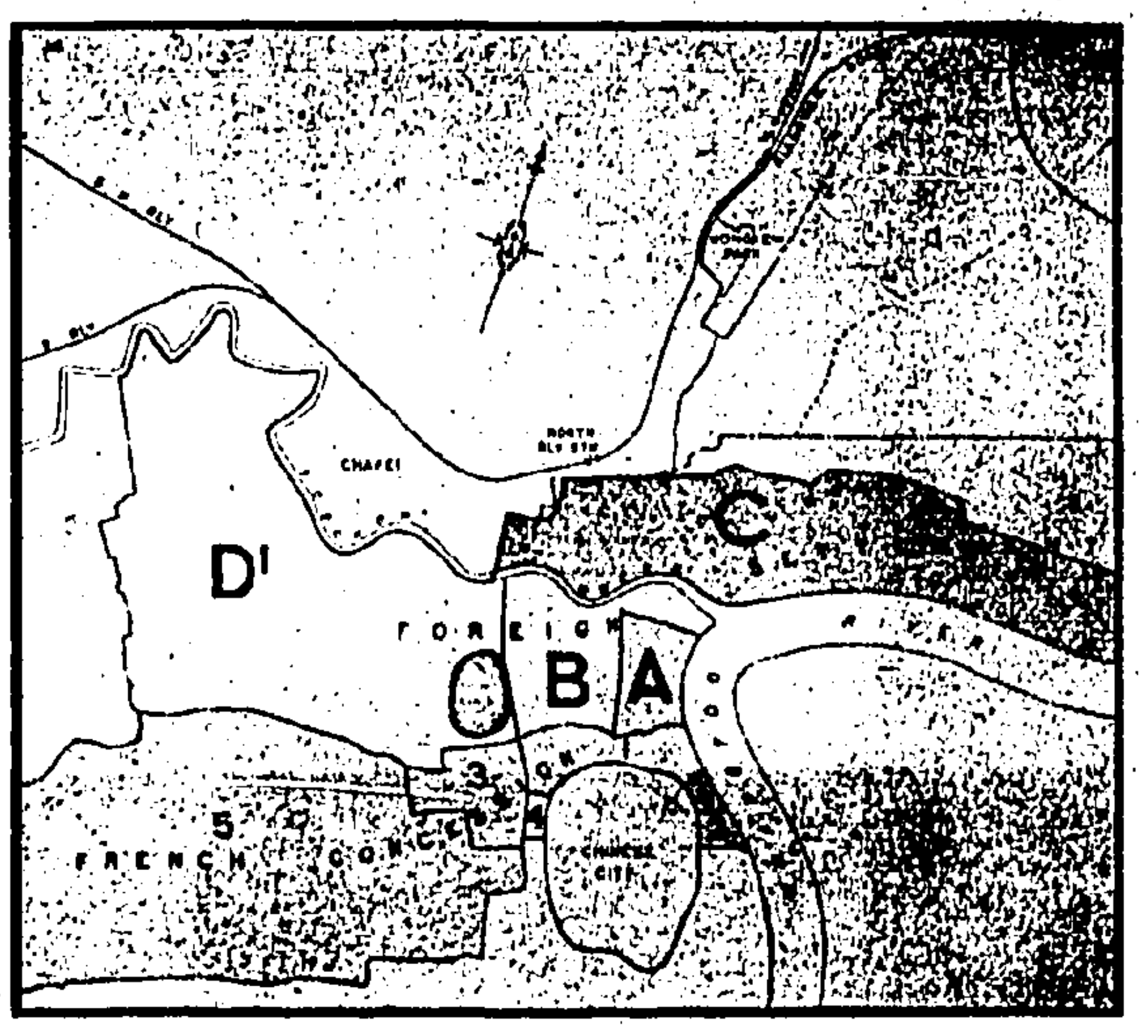
The Japanese state that fighting is going on. Seventeen minutes after the first shot had been fired, two lorry-loads of disarmed Chinese soldiers were brought in to Japanese headquarters.

MORE MEN LANDED.

About three o'clock this morning, the Japanese landed a further thousand bluejackets to assist in the patrolling of the Hongkew district, while their compatriots were carrying out the occupation of Chapei.

After some hours of fighting, seven Japanese wounded men were brought into the headquarters at Hongkew.

The Japanese have driven a wedge across the North of Chapei and are now sweeping in towards the Settlement, penning the Chinese between them and the Settlement boundaries. The Chinese are at bay and are fighting desperately in some sections of the city.—*Reuter.*



Map showing the position of Chapei in relation to the International Settlement and the Chinese city.

U.S. SENDS WARSHIPS.

Washington, Jan. 28.

Four American destroyers have been ordered to China from Manila.—*Reuter's American Service.*

NAVAL STATEMENT.

At 9.15 o'clock this morning, the Senior Naval Officer on H.M.S. Cornwall sent the following message to the Commodore in Hongkong:

"It is reported that the Japanese have occupied Chapei. Intermittent firing was observed until after daylight this morning. International Settlement apears quiet. Further signal well be made when situation is clearer."

Heavy Chinese Casualties.

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

Chinese police and soldiers of the Nineteenth Route Command, participated in the fighting. They have suffered many casualties and wounded soldiers were being admitted to hospital in large num-

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CHINA COMMAND MUM.

TROOP MOVEMENT QUESTION.

Enquiries at Headquarters Command this morning as to whether the sending any troops from Hongkong to Shanghai was contemplated were met with the reply:—"We are making no statement on the matter".

A Staff Officer said that nothing could be divulged, as they had to give an imitation of an oyster!

So far no British warships have left Hongkong for Shanghai. It is pointed out by the naval authorities that the matter is one for the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, who is now on a southern cruise.

The Kent is at present in Batavia, where Admiral Kelly is keeping in touch with events in Shanghai. No movements from Hongkong will be made unless at the direction of the Commander-in-Chief.

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THE OCCUPATION OF CHAPEI.

EVENTS WHICH LED TO FIGHTING.

AMERICAN ANXIETY.

Shanghai, 11.15 p.m.

Although the Chinese have acceded to the Japanese demands, the Japanese Admiral Shiosawa has decided to occupy Chapei to-night.

It is learned authoritatively that orders have been issued to the Japanese Marines to move at midnight. For the present an occupation party 1,000 strong is standing by in motor trucks.

Admiral Shiosawa is reported to have stated.—"The Japanese Navy has decided to distribute the naval forces in Chapei district in order to maintain peace and order."

The British and American forces and volunteers are patrolling the sections of the Settlement allotted to them by Brigadier Fleming for the maintenance of peace and order.—*Reuter.*

Japanese Warships Arrive.

Shanghai, Jan. 28.

A flotilla of twelve Japanese destroyers and the cruiser Rubari, the latter carrying a landing party of 510, arrived at six this morning.

A Chinese well-known in Japanese circles called on Mr. Murai this morning and informed the Consul that Mr. Wu Tieh-chen was accepting the Japanese demands. He declared that a formal reply would be handed to Mr. Murai this afternoon, the time not being mentioned.—*Reuter.*

Naval Threat.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

The Navy Office issuing a statement regarding the despatch of further warships to Shanghai, stresses that the prolonged anti-Japanese movement in China really amounts to warfare without arms.

The statement declares that if China fails to heed the warning the Navy will be compelled to take adequate steps to protect Japanese lives and interests as Japanese patience is exhausted.—*Reuter.*

Action To-day.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 5.52 p.m.

The Japanese forces, it is believed, will act early to-morrow morning when a monster aeroplane demonstration is expected to take place. Military manoeuvres are planned for to-night.

The latest Japanese demand is that Chinese troops be removed 30 li from Shanghai.

The Chinese reply to the Japanese ultimatum is considered unsatisfactory.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Threat by Chinese Troops.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 6.57 p.m.

The Municipal Council has declared a state of emergency in Shanghai. It is learned that this, and the mobilisation of the Volunteers, is due to a threat by Chinese troops, outside the Settlement, to bombard Shanghai.

It is reliably estimated that there are now 24,000 Chinese troops on the Settlement borders, and their possible actions are causing anxiety. It is hoped that they will peacefully withdraw, but as they are somewhat out of hand this seems unlikely, and therefore the question for decision now is, shall the Japanese clear them off or shall this devolve jointly on the Japanese, British, American and other troops stationed here.—*Reuter.*

Tension at Nanking.

Nanking, Jan. 28.

The tenseness of Sino-Japanese relations is indicated by an official announcement at the Japanese Consulate to-day that the entire consulate staff is evacuating Nanking to-day and boarding a Japanese warship lying off Hsiakuan.—*Reuter.*

Merely a Precaution.

Nanking, Jan. 28.

The Japanese Consul says that the withdrawal of the Consulate staff to a warship is a purely precautionary measure, so as to avoid possible incident, such as an attack by radical elements on the Consulate.

He added that the staff were temporarily on the warship, and would be transferred to a steamer, one being sent for that purpose, and the Consulate business would be carried on from the steamer.—*Reuter.*

Volunteers Mobilise.

Shanghai, Jan. 28.

In view of the tense situation existing here, the Shanghai Volunteer Corps was mobilised at 3.30 this afternoon.—*Reuter.*

Troops for Defence.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 5.52 p.m.

The Shanghai Municipal Council at 4 p.m. officially requested the senior Consul to arrange for the landing of International forces for the internal defence of the Settlement.

The Shanghai Volunteers and the police have been mobilised. Brigadier General Fleming, who is commanding the defence, has established his headquarters in the Administration Building.

Barricades have been erected and a curfew order is anticipated.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Settlement Like Armed Camp.

Shanghai, 7.5 p.m.

Within a few hours this afternoon, the Shanghai Settlement assumed the likeness of an armed camp. When the mobilisation call came to the Volunteers they streamed by hundreds through the streets, leaving their office desks and buttoning on their tunics as they ran. They have now assembled at the race course, complete with armoured cars, machine-gun units and artillery, ready for any emergency.

Cantonese Troops.

The troops on the Settlement borders are mainly Cantonese, belonging to Chen Ming-shu.

The Municipal Council in a statement appeals for voluntary services by able-bodied citizens, and declares that the Volunteer Corps is not the only organisation needing man power, and personnel are required for the special police, as transport drivers, in the administration of food control, etc, etc.

A tense atmosphere prevails, with a full force of police patrolling, and the streets full of steel-helmeted, khaki figures.—*Reuter.*

The Defence Sectors.

Shanghai, Jan. 28, 7.22 p.m.

The Settlement defence authorities are moving quickly to prevent possible disorders, following any action which either the Chinese or Japanese may take.

All sectors will be guarded. The British troops will take over the Hungjao defence lines, and the Americans the Avenue Haig and Soochow Creek lines, while the Japanese are now guarding the Hongkew sector and Yangtsepoo areas.

The French forces in the French concession are actively co-operating with the authorities of the Settlement.

American, British and French warships are taking precautionary measures, all leave passes being withdrawn and the men having orders to stand by.—*Reuter.*

Foreign Concern.

London, Jan. 27.

After conversations at Washington between the Secretary of

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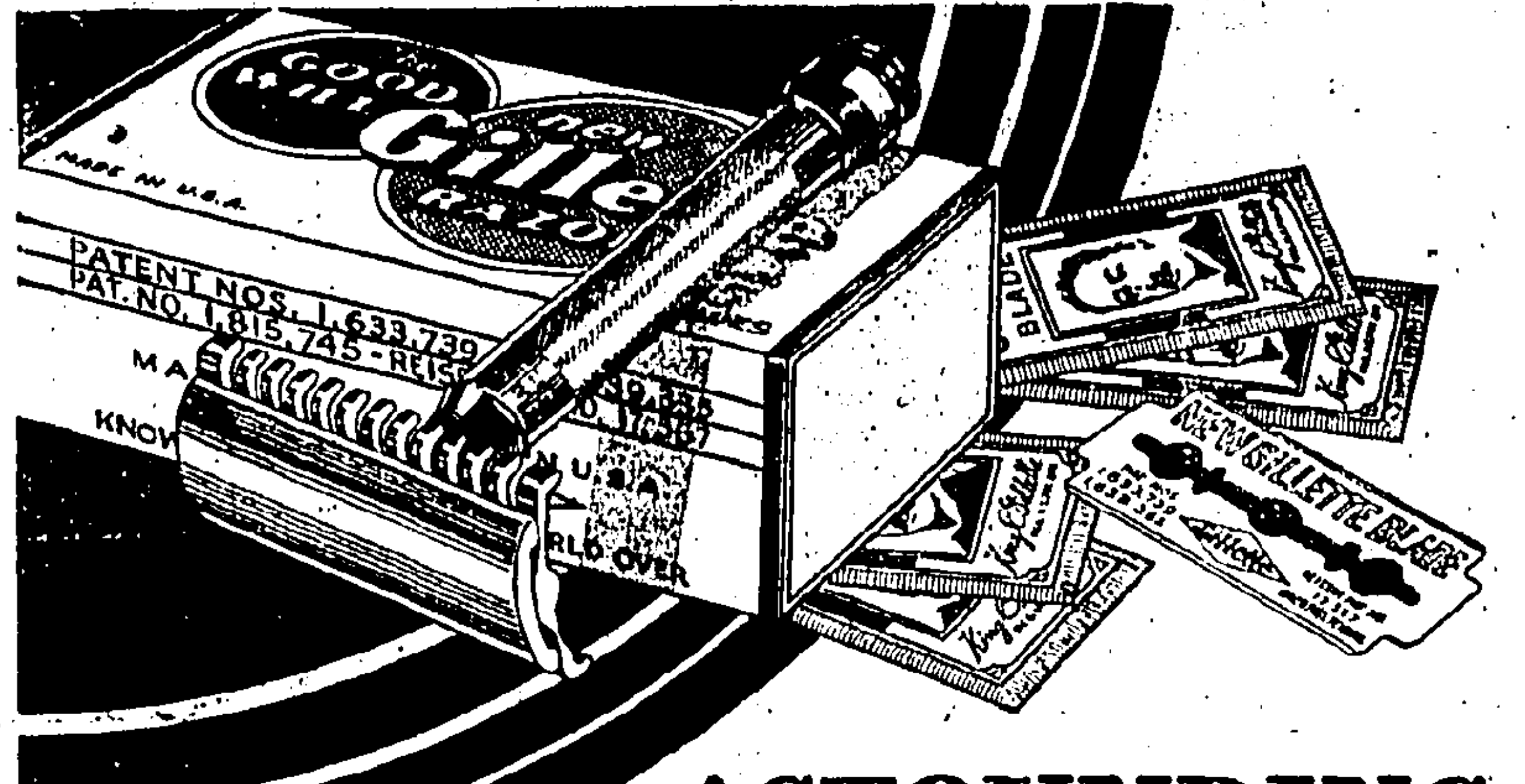

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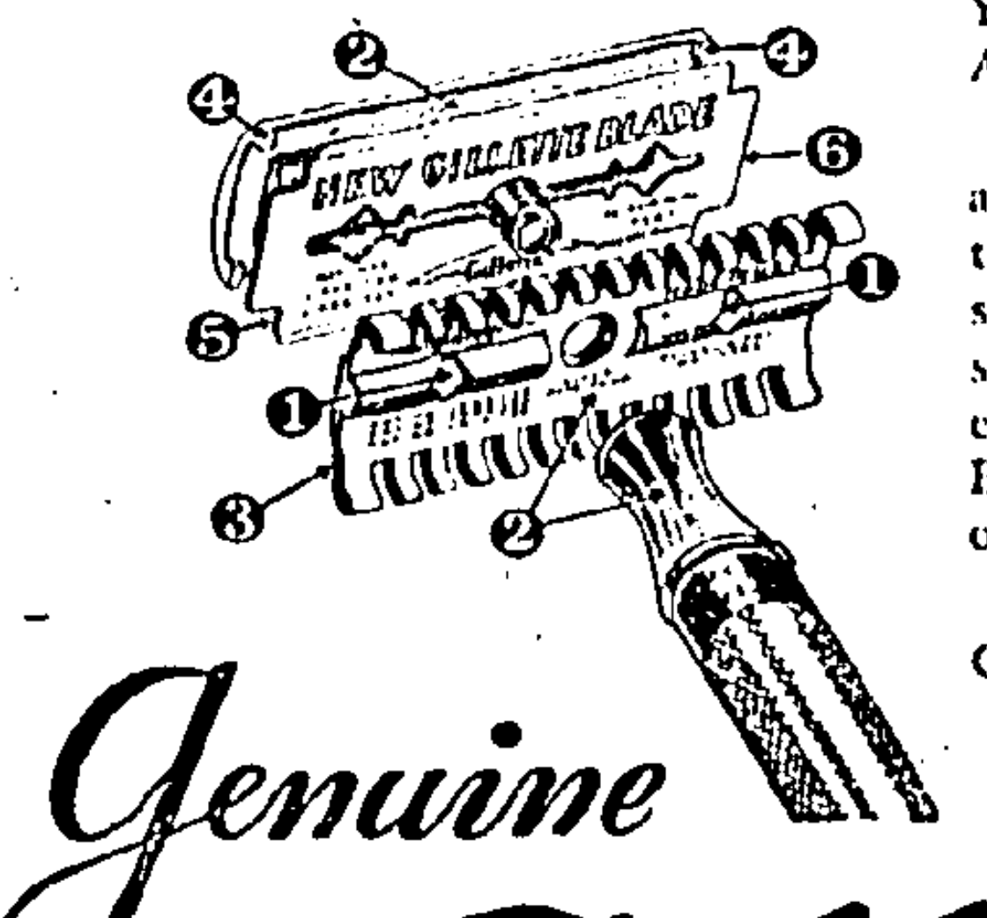

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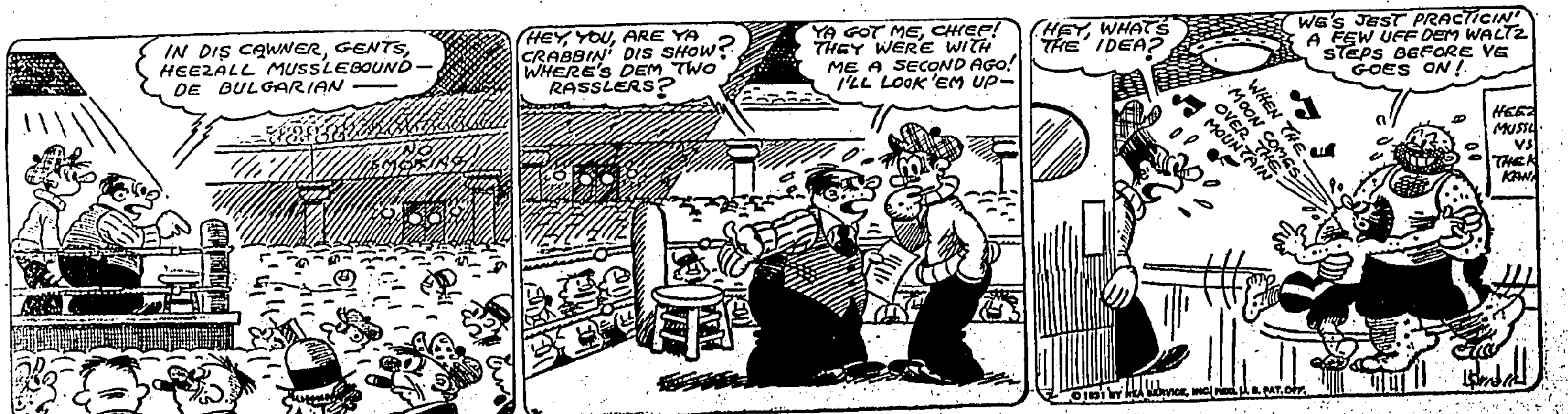
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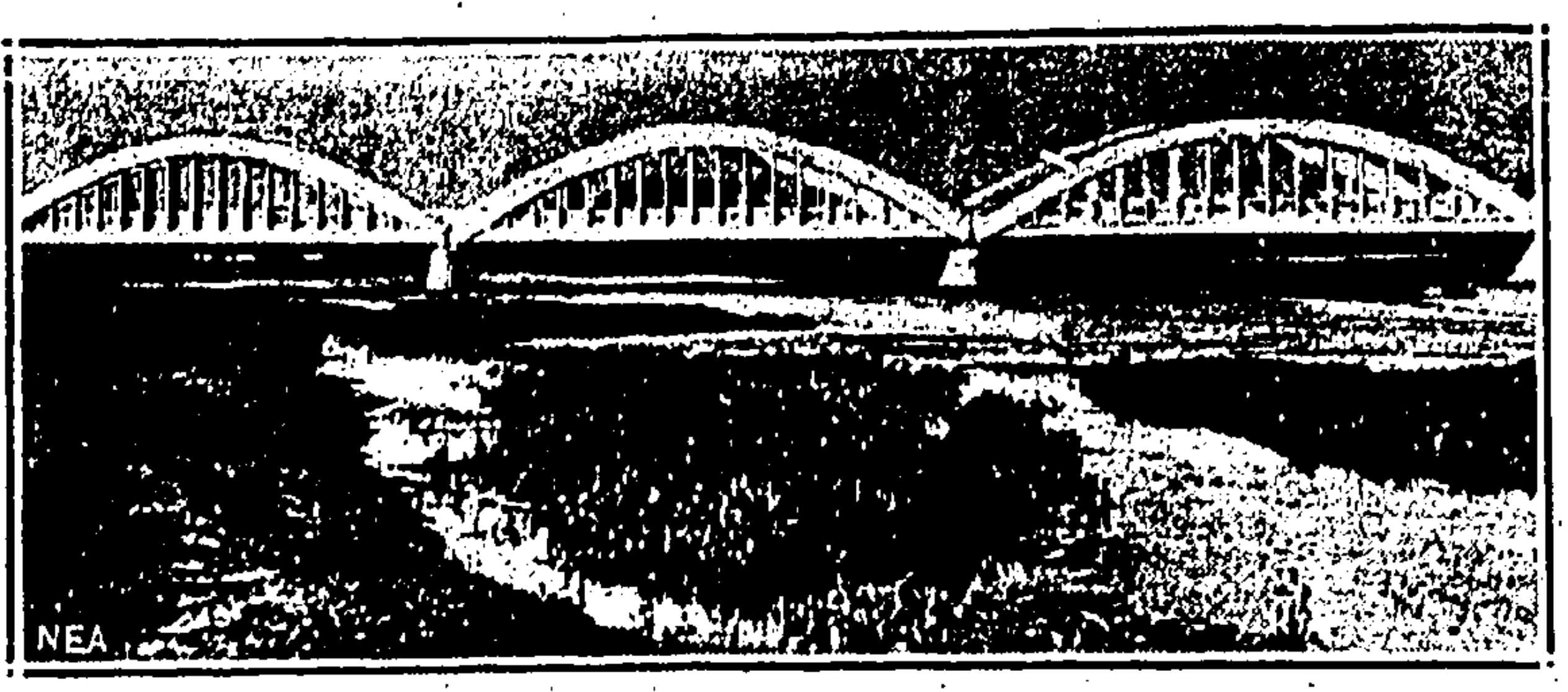
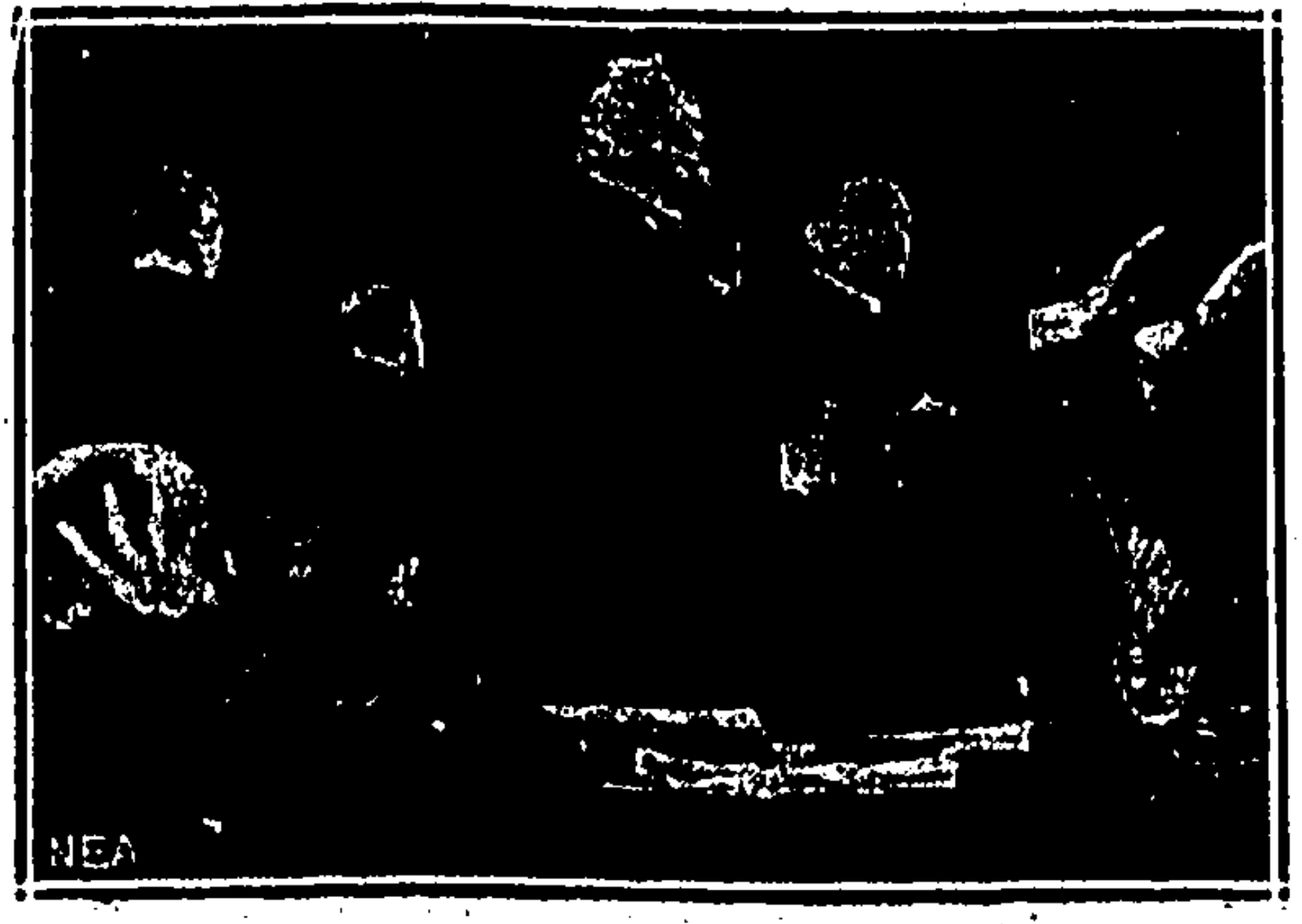
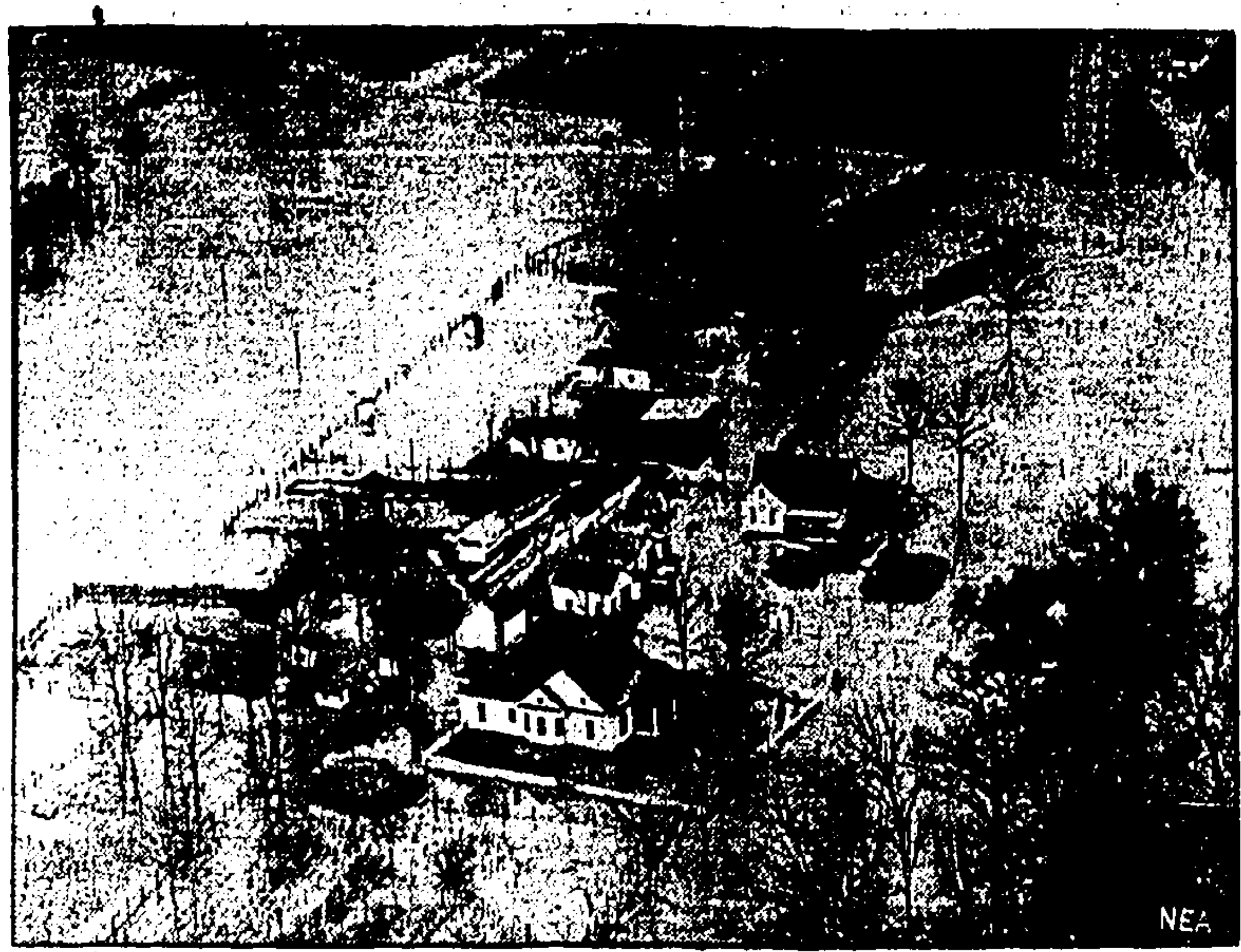


This new bridge, across the Buyra river in Poland, has become an object of interest to the whole scientific world. For although it was built of steel, there is not a single rivet in it. By a special process, all parts have been welded together in a solid piece.

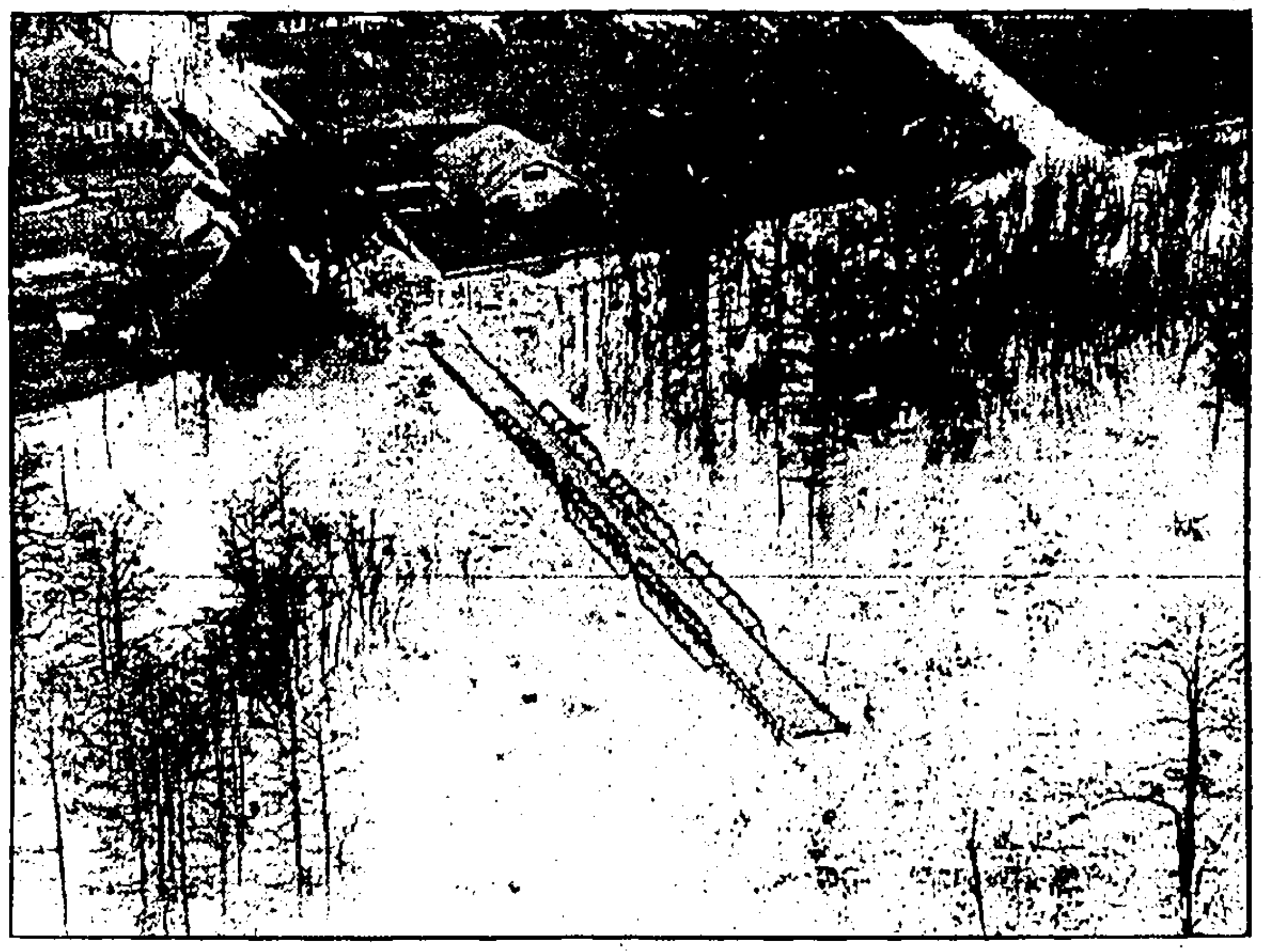


M. Edouard Herriot (right) endeavouring to maintain order at a mass meeting in Paris in the interests of world disarmament.

Behind the coating of ice are the rigging and masts of the fishing schooner Magellan, as she appeared on returning to port the other day, after a trip to the fishing banks.



The flooded Tallahatchie river in Mississippi has made the picture above a common scene in the northwestern part of the state. It shows a farm between Batesville and Glendora, completely isolated except by boat.



This air view of one of the principal highways into Glenodra, shows how 300 persons in the little town were marooned. The overflow of the Tallahatchie river blocked this bridge and other avenues of escape.

Gems of Peril

HAZEL ROSS HAILEY

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

Mary Harkness [illegible] to [illegible] The Fly, who "framed" her brother, Eddie, with the murder of Mrs. Jupiter and [illegible] him [illegible] to keep him from telling. Mr. Jupiter [illegible] her, as does Bowen of the Star. [illegible] else believes Eddie guilty, including Dirk Royther, Mary's fiance, who forbids her to investigate further. His family objects to the notoriety.

Bruce Jupiter and a questionable friend, Countess Louise, try to [illegible] Mary, believing she is a gold-digger trying to steal Bruce's inheritance. They follow The Fly to Miami. Bruce quarrels with Louise over a diamond bracelet given her by The Fly. She says it is Mary's. Bruce makes her give the bracelet to Mary, who discovers it was stolen from Mrs. Jupiter the night she was killed. The bracelet is locked up as evidence.

Wearing the famous Jupiter necklace, Mary dances with The Fly, who gets it away from her. He kisses her and Dirk knocks him down. Dirk twists his ankle and faints. The Fly gets away with the handbag but is frightened back by a policeman and returns it and the necklace. Mary has Dirk taken on board the yacht the "Gypsy." The Fly goes along.

CHAPTER XLII

As Mary stood shivering with dread, uncertain what to do, she heard the sound of oarlocks and the bump of a boat as it hit against the suspended gangway. Picking up her skirts she ran along the deck, and almost fell into the arms of Bates, coming up the gangplank. She could have kissed him.

"Oh, Bates, I'm scared! The Fly is aboard," she whispered, "as my guest, and I think he's prowling around after the rubies. I just came out on deck and someone ran from near Mr. Jupiter's door. I told him Mr. Jupiter had them!"

"Stay here," Bates commanded. He unbuttoned his coat and loosened the revolver from its holster under his arm. Staying in the shadow of the upper deck he moved quietly along the bulk-head. She saw him stop and test Mr. Jupiter's door, then disappear around the corner where the shadowy figure had run but two minutes before.

The seconds passed like hours as Mary leaned back against the wall, straining her ears to catch every sound. Then Bates reappeared so noiselessly that he startled her.

"All serene," he reported. "The old man's door is locked and The Fly is back in his stateroom—three, isn't it?" Mary said "Yes." "I heard him moving around and there's a light under the door. You run along to bed now and old Henry Q. Bates will take care of things. I'll camp right up there on the upper deck in a chair where I can see both your stateroom door and Mr. Jupiter's. Run along, and pleasant dreams."

Mary wrung his hand. "Bates, you're a darling!"

"Sure I am. But listen, what's the programme now? We didn't find a thing in De Loma's room. Not a thing. Had to tear up carpets and everything. That's what took me so long. You didn't worry, did you? Anyhow, your necklace is safe—right here in old Bates' pocket." He reached into a capacious inner pocket, and drew out the rolled up bundle of napkin—unfolded it bit by bit in his palm, saw that it was empty. A horrible, popeyed expression froze on his face.

"It's gone!" he gasped. It was like the last groan of a dying man.

"Do you mean to say you didn't know that, until now?" Mary cried. "You picked up an empty napkin. I've got the necklace. It's in Mr. Jupiter's safe."

Devoutly, Bates ejaculated "Oh, my God!" His arms fell limply at his sides.

"Well, how did you—what did you—did you have any trouble—" he stuttered, overcome with shame.

"Plenty! I got back with it, but my hair's snow white. Tell you all about it in the morning. Now don't you fret—it wasn't your fault!" It was her turn to pat his shoulder reassuringly. To help him out, she changed the subject.

"Can we get under way at once? Did you see Bruce and the Countess anywhere?"

"They're on the pier—the kid's gone back for them now. By the way, here's something your fat friend sent you. He was sitting on the dock waiting when I came up—he wouldn't give it to the sailor."

He handed Mary a thick envelope. Curious, she took it to her room.

A single sheet of note paper held the words "Here's the dope. Keep these. I stole 'em out of the morgue, and I've got to return 'em. But I couldn't resist telling you the good news."

There were clippings, yellowed, ringed about the word "De Loma" with a blue pencil and stamped on each clipping was a date—the date of its appearance in a Miami paper. The clippings, read in chronological order, gave the newspaper account of the doings of the celebrated French actress, Louise De Loma, on board a Havana line steamship way back in the year 1924. The steamship line and all other parties concerned had evidently succeeded in hushing up the matter pretty thoroughly, but enough had leaked out through the excited tales of fellow-passengers to show up the lady as an adventuress of an old, familiar type. She was not deported, but evidently she had been only too happy to accept the hint of Miamai police officials and return to Havana immediately.

At any rate, she went—threatening that her husband would sue. There was no record in the clippings of any suit being brought.

Mary put the clippings back in the envelope, and laid it under her pillow. Good old George Bowen—to give her this to sleep on! She went to the porthole and looked upward. There, on the sun deck, as he had promised, she could see Bates' dark figure in its steamer chair, silhouetted against the lighter sky. She felt as though she had dropped a heavy burden from her shoulders.

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The sun was shining in her stateroom porthole when she awoke. Mary stretched, easing her cramped muscles. She had been so exhausted that she had slept without moving. With the action, vitality rushed back into her refreshed young body, and she bounded out of bed, pushing her hair out of her eyes.

She looked like a slim boy in her rumpled silk pyjamas as she ran to the porthole and peered out. Bates had vanished from his post long since. Far off on the horizon line was something that might be either clouds or land, but in between was sea, a calm expanse with only here and there a whitecap to break the blue-green, mirror-like surface.

There was an occasional roll of the ship as it was caught by a half-sea, and a slight quiver of the deck as the powerful engines drove them through the Atlantic at 15 knots. It was such a glorious morning, and she felt so invigorated by her night's sleep that the events of the night before retreated to the back of her mind like a bad dream.

Anything was possible—any nice thing, that is—on a day like this. Even Dirk might have relented and forgiven her. She hummed "Happy Days" as she splashed in the shower, then gave herself a drubbing with a towel, filled the air with an extravagant cloud of bath-powder, and set about dressing with a light heart. She donned a plain white linen frock, white shoes, a little blue coat with brass buttons and a blue beret.

"And am I hungry!" she exclaimed, as she strapped on her wrist watch, noting with surprise that it was almost 11 o'clock.

There was no one on deck, so she went below to the dining salon. Apparently she was not the only late sleeper. Sea air had played its tricks on the rest, as well. She was hardly prepared, though, for the scene that met her eyes.

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De Loma sat stiffly in his chair, at the foot of the table, stabbing at his grapefruit with a vicious spoon. At his left Louise sat listlessly, looking Mary thought, a little greenish about the mouth as though something eaten the night before and the roll of the boat were not agreeing, quite. Bruce, his face like a thunder-cloud, sat on Louise's right, and in the master's chair at the head of the table Mr. Jupiter applied himself steadily and not too silently to a generous plate of scrambled eggs and bacon.

"Hello, everybody!" Mary called out brightly, "and a pleasant morning!" Her good humour brought no response.

De Loma and Bruce barely nodded. The Countess did not even look up. Mary slipped into a seat at Mr. Jupiter's left—the remaining chair was Captain Hendricks', but the doughty captain breakfasted at no such effete hour.

"A glass of orange juice, Frank, some thin brown toast and a soft-boiled egg—three minutes, just." She beamed at the old steward.

De Loma pushed back his chair with a loud scrape.

"You will excuse me, please," he said, bowing sarcastically. "I shall take a walk around the deck.

He was taking it fairly well, at that, Mary decided, after a critical glance. She was curious to know what explanation had been given him for this sudden sea-trip; surely he must have been dumbfounded to awaken and find himself shanghaied in any such high-handed fashion.

Whatever it was, it was plain that he had lost his taste for red-haired young women with promises in their eyes and no intention of keeping them. Well, let him go. He would not be unobserved, wherever he went, even though the excellent Bates was in his cabin, getting a little long-deferred sleep. He was a prisoner with every man on the yacht his

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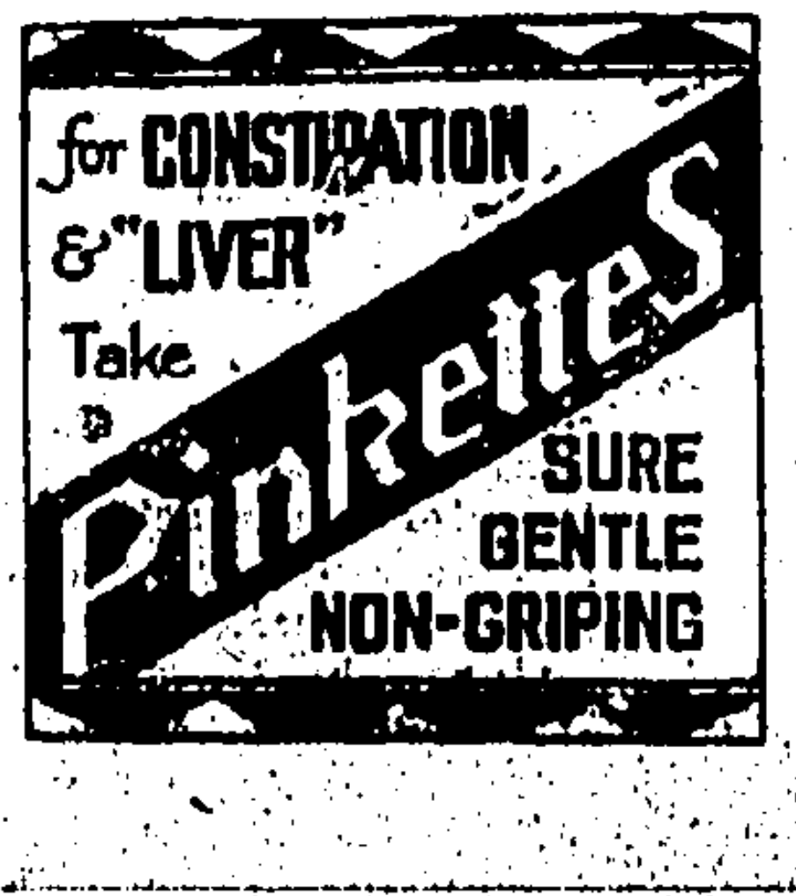

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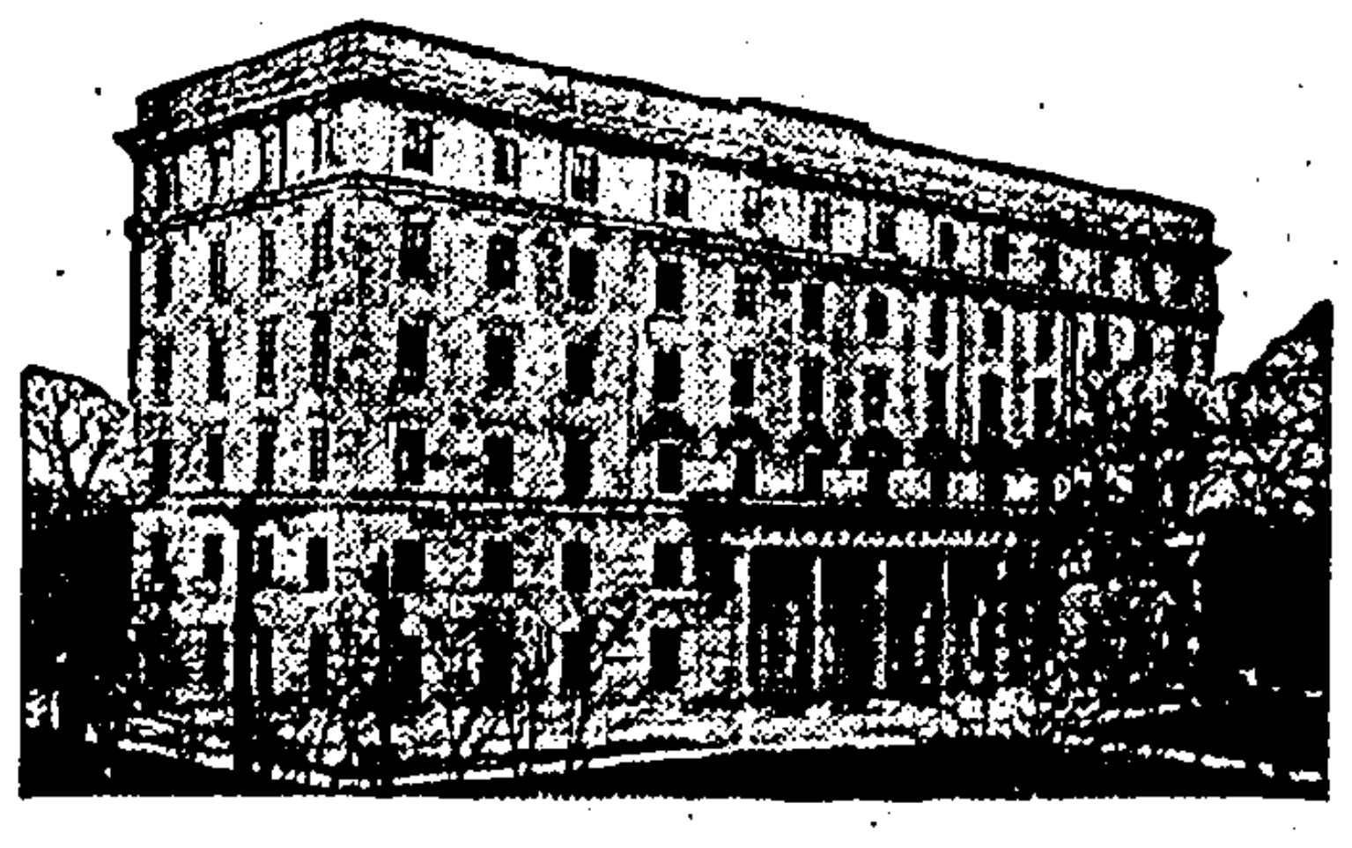

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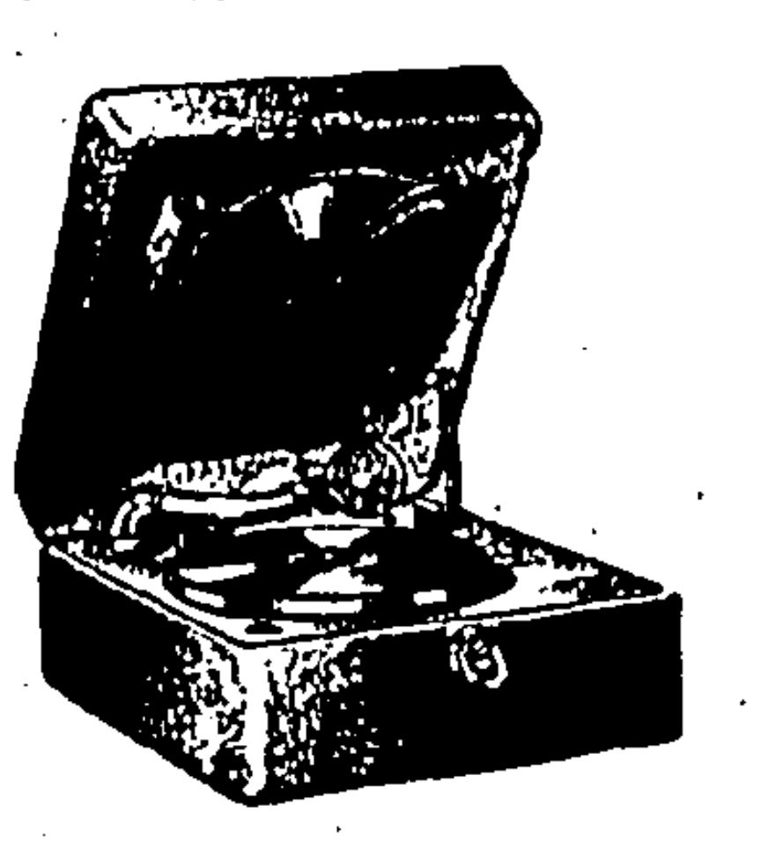

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ENTRIES close at 5 p.m. on Friday, the 19th February, 1932.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of February, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the company will be closed from TUESDAY, the 2nd to WEDNESDAY, the 17th February, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1932.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on Friday, the Eighteenth day of March, 1932, at 11.30 in the forenoon immediately after the Annual General Meeting of the Company, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:—

1. That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now $10,000,000.00 divided into 1,000,000 Shares of $10.00 each, of which the whole have been issued) be increased from $10,000,000.00 consisting as aforesaid to $15,000,000.00 (consisting of 1,500,000 Shares of the nominal value of $10.00 each) by the creation of 500,000 New Shares of the nominal value of $10.00 each.

2. That in the first instance 200,000 of the said New Shares be offered at par (in the proportion of one New Share for every five Old Shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the eighteenth day of March, 1932, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the 1,000,000 Old Shares and so that on acceptance of such offer the full nominal amount due in respect of such 200,000 New Shares shall be payable on the 30th day of June, 1932, and that on acceptance of such offer and on payment in manner aforesaid such shares so taken up shall rank as from the 1st day of July, 1932, for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital, and that any of the said 200,000 New Shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's Shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of at such time or times in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors shall think fit.

3. That such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the Member is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted by the Member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such date or dates as they may think fit.

4. That the balance of 300,000 Shares constituting the Company's unissued Capital be issued at such time or times in such manner and for such purposes and upon such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may decide.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the before mentioned Extraordinary General Meeting will be continued for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

5. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

> "(a) By the insertion immediately after Article No. 126 of the existing Articles of Association of the two following new Articles to be known as Articles 126A 126B.'
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> "126A. Each Director who is a registered holder in his own right of not less than 25,000 Shares in the Capital of the Company shall have the power to nominate any person approved for that purpose by a majority of the other Directors of the Company to act as an alternate Director, in his place, during his absence from the Colony of Hongkong or inability to act through illness as such Director, and at his discretion to remove such alternate Director, and on any such appointment being made, the alternate Director shall be subject in all respect to the terms and conditions existing with reference to the other Directors of the Company, and any alternate Director while acting in the place of an absent Director, shall exercise and discharge all the duties and functions of the Director he represents, but shall look to such Director solely for his remuneration and shall not be entitled to claim remuneration from the Company. Provided always that it shall be a condition precedent to the exercise of the power of appointment herein contained and the continuance of the appointment hereunder that the Director exercising the same shall be, at the time of making such appointment and shall continue to be so long as the said appointment continues, the registered holder in his own right of not less than 25,000 Shares in the Capital of the Company. Every appointment made in pursuance of this Article shall be in writing under the hand of the Director making the same."
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> "126B. Any instrument appointing an alternate Director in pursuance of Article 126A of these Articles shall be as nearly as circumstances will admit in the following form or to the effect following:—"

I, a Director of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, in pursuance of the power in that behalf contained in Article 126A of the Articles of Association of the Company do hereby nomiate and appoint
of to act as alternate Director in my place during my absence from the Colony of Hongkong or my inability to act as a Director through illness (as the case may be) to exercise and discharge all my duties as a Director of the Company.

AS WITNESS my hand this day of
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AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at Noon at the same place on the Fourth day of April, 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the last above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the before mentioned resolution numbered 5 herein.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1932.

By Order of the Board,

F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 11th February, 1932, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 3rd February, 1932, to Thursday, the 11th February, 1932, both days inclusive.

NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at 12.15 p.m. on the same day and at the same place as and immediately after the before mentioned Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution.

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

(a) By deletion of the words "One thousand Dollars" contained partly in the third and partly in the fourth lines of Article 98a of the Company's Articles of Association and the substitution therefor of the words "Five thousand Dollars."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the same place at 12.30 p.m. on Friday the 26th day of February, 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the before mentioned Extraordinary General Meeting and of confirming if thought fit the before mentioned resolution as a Special Resolution.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1932.

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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING.

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The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, was held last evening in the Church Hall. The Vicar (the Rev. W. Walton Rogers) presided, supported by Mr. J. W. Baldwin (Vicar's Warden), Mr. F. W. Stapleton (People's Warden), Mr. Colin Carruthers (Hon. Secretary of Church Council) and Mr. O. B. Raven (Treasurer).

The Vicar, in the course of reviewing the Church's activities, stated that the suggestion thrown out at last year's annual meeting of a Fund for the renovation of the Organ, was taken up by the Church Council, and carried to a successful issue. It represented a great deal of hard work, and much generous giving.

They had also received the gift of a Holy Table with frontals from the Cathedral Body, Communion linen and a cupboard for surplices and cassocks; while their old friend Mr. J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., had greatly improved the appearance of the Chancel, by painting scrolls and texts on the North and South sides of the Sanctuary. Mr. J. M. Jack had recently renewed the whole of their step lights and wiring without charge (Applause).

The Vicar gratefully acknowledged all those gifts and others, and expressed his appreciation of the work of the Ladies Guild, and of other members of the Church who had carried on so successfully the work of the Church in all its multifarious activities.

Bishop's Departure.

In conclusion, the Vicar said.—"Before closing, I would mention the deep regret with which we learned, a few weeks ago, of the impending departure of the Bishop and Mrs. Duppuy. We have, as a congregation, valued highly the visits of the Bishop and messages he had given to us, while I should like to pay a personal tribute for the friendly help and wise counsel which I have found him ready to give at all times. We have heard to-day, with pleasure, that his Majesty the King has graciously conferred upon him the Canonry of Worcester, made vacant by the death of Canon Lacey, and we wish the Bishop many years of fruitful service in this important office."

The Chairman referred with regret to the impending departure of Mr. F. W. Stapleton, who had served faithfully in the office of People's Warden for the past three-and-a-half years, and expressed the wish that on his return, recovered completely in health, Mr. Stapleton would again serve in the same capacity.

Mr. F. W. Stapleton, replying, said that within the last twelve months he found that he had not been able to give much time to the work, and recently his health had not been very good, and he found it necessary to have a change. Under the circumstances he thought it would be better to retire in favour of a younger and more energetic man. He proposed Mr. W. H. C. Robson as his successor. This was seconded by Mr. J. W. Baldwin, and carried unanimously.

Deficit of $4,000.

The report of the Church Council's proceedings during the past year was read by the Hon. Secretary. He was followed by Mr. O. B. Raven presenting the statement of accounts, which showed a deficit of over $4,000.

Other reports of the various branches of the Church's activities were read by their respective representatives.

Before the meeting concluded. Captain R. D. Thomas paid a warm tribute to the Church Choir, and made a strong appeal for more support for the finances of the Church.

New Officers.

The following were elected to serve during the current year:

Vicar's Warden.—Mr. J. W. Baldwin; People's Warden—Mr. W. H. C. Robson.

Representatives of the Board of Trustees to the Church of England.—Captain R. D. Thomas and Mr. J. W. Baldwin.

Church Council.—Mrs. M. Bird, Miss W. A. Robinson, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Miss H. D. Sawyer, Dr. H. D. Matthews, Capt. R. D. Thomas, Messrs. J. W. Baldwin, R. Baldwin, F. Dann R. Dormer, H. Gittins, J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., O. B. Raven, W. H. C. Robson and R. H. Wong.

Representatives to the Diocesan Conference.—Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Miss W. A. Robinson, Mrs. M. Bird, Dr. Matthews, Capt. Thomas, Messrs. J. W. Baldwin, R. Baldwin, H. Gittins, J. H. Hunt and R. H. Wong.

Sidesmen.—Messrs. J. I. Barnes, R. Dormer, H. Folshaw, G. Lee, N A. E. Mackay, S. Robinson, H. H. Rose, D. Toppin, E. H. P. White, R. H. Wong, Colin Carruthers, E MacNider, J. Gibson, Dr. H. D. Matthews and Capt. Thomas.

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Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 9th January) ..	Chitral	January 29.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	January 30.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 9th Jan.) and Europe via Siberia (London, 11th Jan.) ..	Pres. Madison	January 30.
Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	January 31.
Japan and Shanghai	Heian Maru	January 31.
Japan	Hawaii Maru	January 31.
Calcutta and Straits	Hosang	January 31.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinan	January 31.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	February 1.
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	February 2.
Saigon	D'Artagnan	February 3.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 3.
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Japan	Bokuyo Maru	February 8.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Bangkok	Hermod	Fri., Jan 29, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., Jan. 29, 1.30 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow ..	Fri., Jan. 29, 2.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Chung On	Fri Jan. 29, 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Chitral	Sat., Jan. 30.
	K.P.O.	
	Parcels, ...	Jan. 29, 4.30 p.m.
	Reg., ...	Jan. 30, 9 a.m.
	Letters, ...	Jan. 30, 10 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels, ...	Jan. 29, 5 p.m.
	Reg., ...	Jan. 30, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 30, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 26th February)	
*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Nellore	Sat., Jan. 30.
	Parcels, ...	Jan. 29, 5 p.m.
	Reg., ...	Jan. 30, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 30, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Brisbane, 16th February)	
	Canton	Sat., Jan. 30, 2.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Pres. Madison ..	Sat., Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
Manila	Gange	Sat., Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia ..	Anshun	Sun., Jan. 31, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Canton Maru ...	Sun., Jan. 31, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa	Hawaii Maru	Mon., Feb. 1, 10.30 a.m.
	Taiyo Maru ..	Mon. Feb. 1, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Yingchow	Mon., Feb. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Foochow	Hosang	Mon., Feb. 1, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Chenonceaux	Tues., Feb. 2.
Saigon and *Europe via Marseilles	K. P. O.	
	Registration	10 a.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Registration	12.45 p.m.
	Letters	1.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 4th March).	

*Unregistered Correspondence only.

HOSPITAL NEEDS IN KOWLOON.

FACILITIES ADMITTED INADEQUATE.

COUNCIL QUERIES.

That Government does not propose at present to establish an infectious diseases hospital in Kowloon and that a special launch for transporting to Hongkong persons suffering from an infectious disease will be built as soon as the Colony's finances permit, were two of the principal statements in replies to questions asked by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council.

The following questions asked by the Hon. Mr. Braga were answered by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services.

Q. Will the Honourable the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services kindly inform the Council whether he is satisfied with the adequacy and efficiency of the existing arrangements for water-borne conveyance of infective patients of communicable diseases from the mainland to the Island?

A. The arrangements are not altogether satisfactory but steps have been taken to see that in future a launch will be available to meet an emergency such as the one referred to by the Honourable Member.

Special Launch To Be Built.

Q.—(a) If the reply to the first question is in the affirmative, will he explain the failure to secure transportation in the specific case of a patient for whom application for conveyance was made shortly after 8 p.m. on Saturday, the 26th December, and the special launch was not available until 9.10 a.m. on the following day?

(b) If in the negative, what special recommendations, if any, he proposes to make for supplementing the present inadequate arrangements for prompt and efficient transportation of infective patients from Kowloon to Hongkong?

A.—(a) The question does not arise.

(b) It is recommended that a special ambulance launch be built as soon as the finances of the Colony permit.

Kowloon Infectious Diseases.

Q.—Does the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services consider the present hospital accommodation in Kowloon adequate, in point of buildings and equipment and also of doctors and nursing staff, to cope with any sudden and widespread outbreak of a communicable disease in epidemic form such as is taking place in the Colony at the present time?

A.—The present scheme for control of epidemic disease provides that all Kowloon cases of infectious disease which require hospital isolation and treatment shall be conveyed to the infectious diseases hospital in Victoria. Such being the case no provision has been made for hospital treatment of such cases in Kowloon. The medical and nursing staff when at full strength is adequate to deal with any outbreak of communicable diseases in epidemic form such as was taking place in the Colony at the time these questions were drawn up.

Inadequate Accommodation.

Q.—Does the Government consider that the provision for hospital accommodation in Kowloon has kept pace with the development of the peninsula and the amazing growth of its population?

A.—Hospital accommodation in Kowloon is inadequate.

Q.—What immediate steps are contemplated to remedy the existing insufficiency of hospital accommodation for the urgent needs of Kowloon residents?

A.—A new two storied building is nearing completion. It is proposed for the time being to use the upper floor for nurses' quarters and the lower floor for the accommodation of women and children suffering from non-infectious diseases.

BRITISH NAVAL DISASTER.

SHIP'S STORY OF AN EXPLOSION.

London, Jan. 28.

The Admiralty report that efforts are being concentrated on two obstructions encountered during the sweeping operations, and also on an area 7 miles, 300 degrees from Portland Bill where, according to a coaster Tynesider, a submarine was seen diving.

The Captain of the Tynesider states that the M2 disappeared stern first.

Owing to strong undercurrents, divers have been unable to reach the obstructions, which the sweeping operations encountered. None of the many craft engaged in the search has seen any bubbles or oil patches. Every conceivable rescue measure has been employed, but hope is now almost completely abandoned.

Later this morning the Admiralty announced that information had been received from the master of the motor auxiliary schooner Crown of Denmark that, when in a position on Tuesday evening 16 miles south-east of Lyme Regis, he saw a sudden bright light of three seconds duration, which was followed ten minutes later by two loud explosions. The weather was thick at the time. Neither the light nor the explosions can be accounted for, and the report is being investigated by searching craft.—*British Wireless.*

Kowloon Hospital Extension.

Q.—Will the Honourable the Colonial Secretary state whether Government has any intention, and when, of submitting plans to the Finance Committee of the Council for a further extension of the Kowloon Hospital, in addition to the Maternity Wing, in order to meet the requirements of an emergency arising out of an outbreak of disease in a virulent form?

A.—The Government does not propose at present to establish an infectious diseases hospital in Kowloon. Plans for the further extension of the Kowloon Hospital are under consideration and it is hoped that the financial position will permit of definite proposals being brought before the Legislative Council during the current year.

New Bills Read.

On the proposal of the Colonial Secretary seconded by the Colonial Treasurer, By-laws made by the Sanitary Board under section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, on December 8, 1931, were adopted.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to Estate Duty." He said.—Most of this is consolidation, with slight amendments indicated in the table of correspondence at the end. There are a few typographical errors which will be corrected in Committee at the second reading.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Juvenile Offenders.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "An Ordinance to make provision for proceedings in reference to Juvenile Offenders." He said.—This Bill has been drafted by the Committee appointed to consider the question and is in the form recommended by them, subject to minor corrections, except that their recommendations with regard to associating Justices of the Peace with Magistrates has not been included.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Police Ordinance.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled, "An Ordinance to amend the Police Force Ordinance, 1900." He said.—The objects and reasons are explained in the memorandum at the foot.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Adjournment.

His Excellency:—Council stands adjourned until February 11.

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COLLISION SEQUEL.

TRAMWAY COMPANY IN CIVIL COURT.

A sequel to an accident between a motor car and a tram which occurred on the morning of December 9 last, was heard in the Summary Court yesterday afternoon, when Mr. H. R. Sturt, of China Underwriters, Ltd., claimed $40 in damages from the Hongkong Tramway Company.

Mr. D. B. Evans, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, was for the plaintiff and Mr. O.E.C. Marton of Messrs. Deacons, for the defendants.

The case was before the Puisne Justice, Mr. Justice R.E. Lindsell, and in presenting the facts Mr. Evans said that the accident was entirely due to the negligence of the driver of tramcar No. 18. The accident occurred at 9.20 a.m. when plaintiff's chauffeur was driving the car No. 1235 from Queen's Road East back to the Stubbs Road garage. When he reached the junction of Queen's Road and Arsenal Street, he found a redlight against him and stopped. Through his mirror the chauffeur saw a tramcar coming up from behind him, and when the green light was shown the chauffeur moved on and crossed the track. The tramcar, however, carried on and struck the rear mudguard of the private car, turning the vehicle completely round. When the chauffeur first saw this tramcar it was about ten yards away.

The chauffeur gave corroborative evidence and in reply to Mr. Marton said that when he saw the tramcar coming up behind him and he himself was given the green light, he did not think it was necessary for him to wait for the tram to pass. The car was turned completely round owing to the slippery state of the road.

An Indian police constable said he gave the green light to the driver of car No. 1235 for him to proceed and as the vehicle was crossing the tram track a tramcar proceeding in the same direction came along and hit the car. He thought the tram struck the car because the driver could not stop it, although he could see that he did his best to do so. In his estimation the tram was about seven feet from the private car when it began moving.

After hearing further evidence for the plaintiffs, and without calling upon the defence, His Lordship gave judgment for the defendants, stating that he was satisfied that the evidence for the plaintiffs had revealed contributory negligence in the accident, and had, as a result, disentitled them to recovery.

BATHING BEACHES.

NO RESUMPTIONS TO BE MADE THIS YEAR.

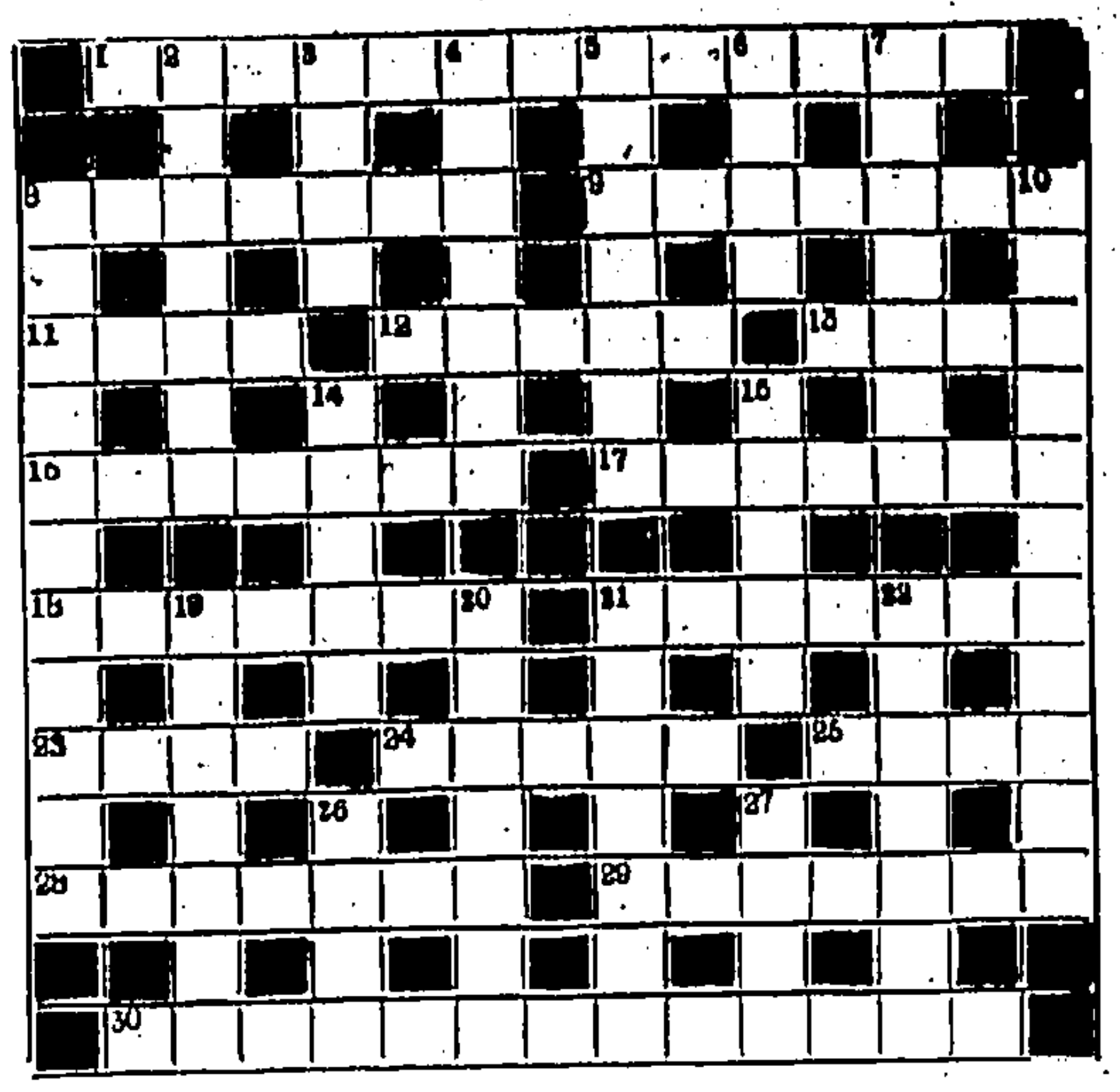
None of the bathing beaches at North Point, it is understood, is to be resumed this year, though they will all gradually be resumed in the course of time, owing to the commercial development of the district.

This assurance grants a respite to the Chinese associations who have been alarmed by reports that their bathing beaches were to be resumed forthwith, but it seems they will have to accept eventual relinquishment in the face of industrial progress.

Meanwhile it is understood that proposals are being considered for developing the beach at Laichikok in conjunction with a scheme for playing fields, etc., in the same locality.

Laichikok, it is pointed out, is ideally suitable for the purpose. The water there is clear and the spot is accessible, as a bus service is already in operation.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

1 There's a vulgar practical joker in front of the cathedral in this England town.
8 These plants produce very showy flowers.
9 Truly, a singular garment.
11 It would not be a story if I said this was a tail.
12 If you get in a fix here, don't worry—you're only an F short.
13 There's a great synonym for this —or it sounds like one to me
16 Something fresh in actual surroundings creates a revival.
17 D'ye know he's to be seen in an Italian city? (Sorry.)
18 In the days of England's "wooden walls" a frigate had six.
21 Looking at the defunct fowl, one might conclude that it was another instance following a car.
23 Sounds like a remark that might have been made by a mediæval torturer in Central Persia.
24 A story that shows great ability, but don't you believe it.
25 Examine closely—and you may discover something striking.
28 Purely formal.
29 Scottish patronymic.
30 An act of rashness.

Down

2 This, also, denotes presumptuous rashness, with I and Ian on opposite sides of the motor.
3 Animal.
4 Shooting.
5 Here's a hint: the writer's medium and a fish.
6 In sad surroundings I declared.
7 A parliamentary division—in Cumberland.
8 Change a people for reciprocal succession.
10 Shown here, in the coarse grass.
14 Faint.
15 Though wrathful, granny would not be quite exhausted in being so.
19 Give an old Archbishop a stroke for this liar.
20 Although only a sloop there is room in this vessel for a full-sized hall.
21 The pipe of peace.
22 One of Shakespeare's fools, "I, no sage" (anag.).
26 After taking the cane up, put it down for play before tea.
27 This Briton comes out of little beds.

Yesterday's Solution.

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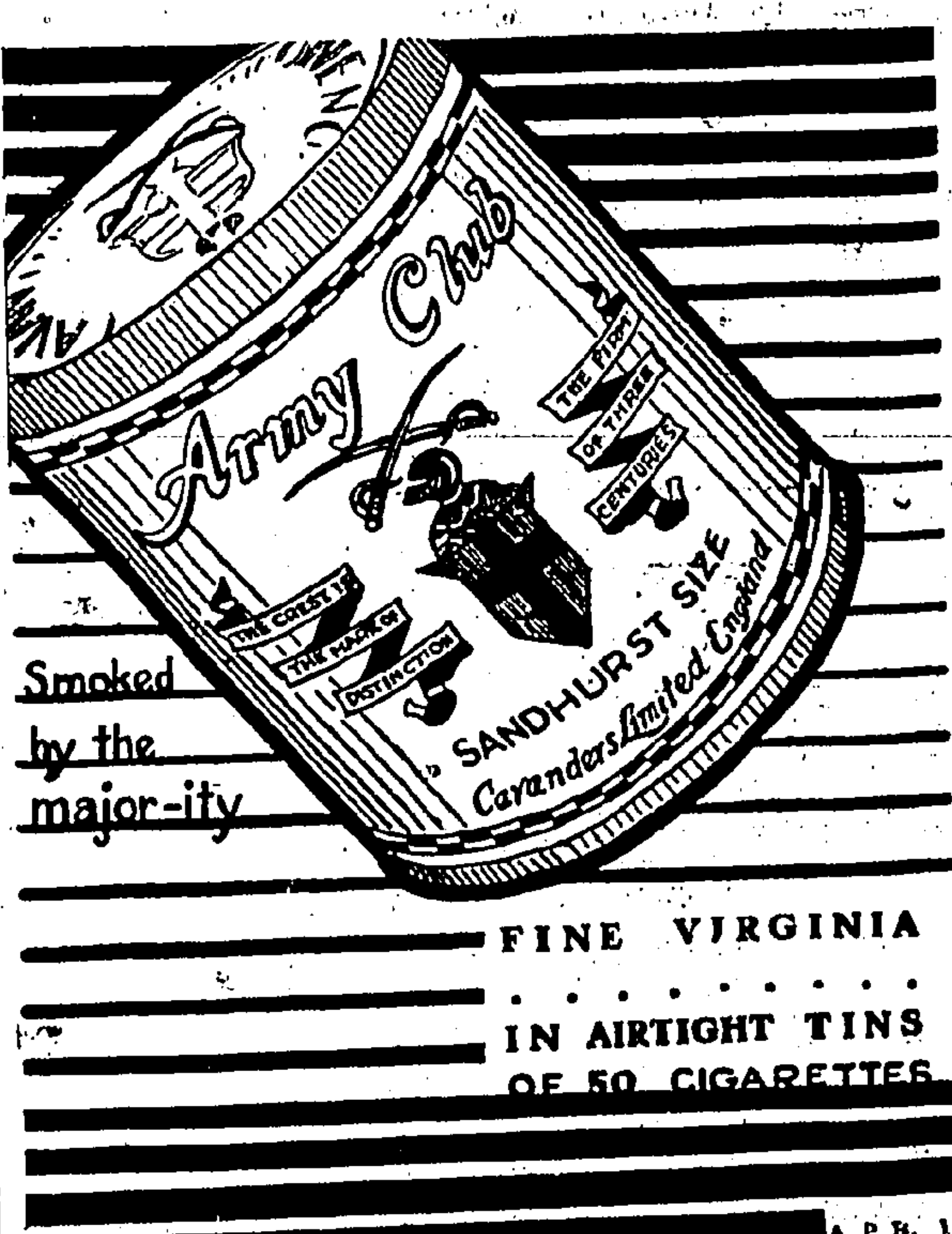
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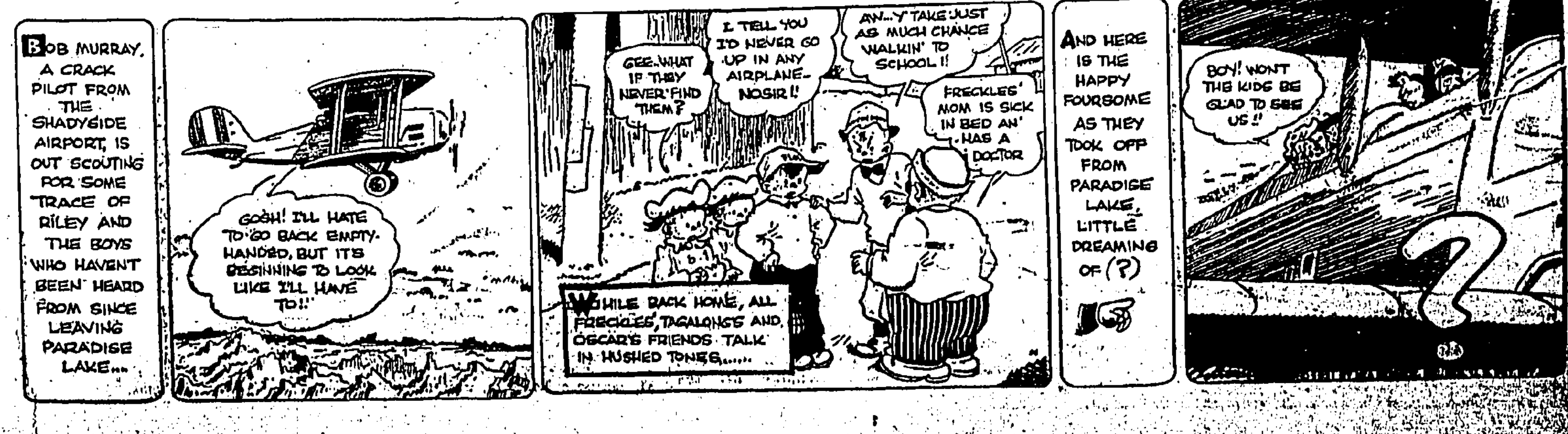
By Blosser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GEE-WHAT IF THEY NEVER FIND THEM?
I TELL YOU I'D NEVER GO UP IN ANY AIRPLANE-NOSIR!!
AN-Y TAKE JUST AS MUCH CHANCE WALKIN' TO SCHOOL!!
FRECKLES' MOM IS SICK IN BED AN' HAS A DOCTOR
WHILE BACK HOME, ALL FRECKLES', TAGALONG'S AND OSCAR'S FRIENDS TALK IN HUSHED TONES......
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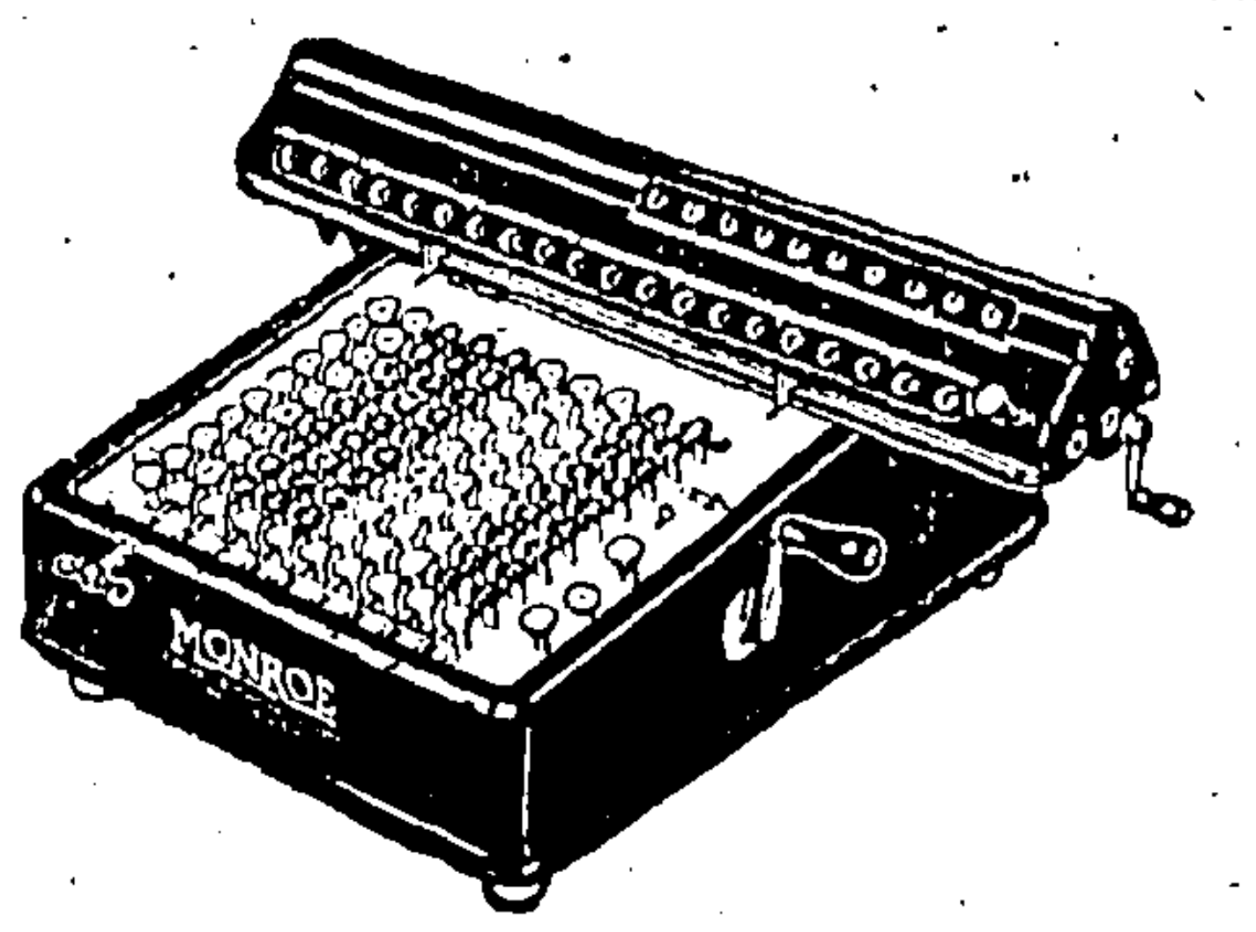

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CRITICAL DAYS IN SHANGHAI.

With a state of emergency now declared, the Shanghai situation has reached a condition of considerable gravity. For the Settlement authorities, the position is one of great difficulty. They have, however, done the right thing by taking special precautions for the preservation of peace and order. Obviously, there is distinct danger of incidents occurring which, in the present inflamed state of feeling as between the Chinese and Japanese, might lead to developments of the worst conceivable kind. In view of the events of the past few days, Shanghai is well described as a tinder-box; it only requires the kindling of the flames to create a situation too terrible to contemplate. There can, however, be no two opinions as to the attitude of the Settlement authorities in face of the crisis. This must be one of the strictest neutrality.

The dangers of the position have been well stressed by Mr. O. M. Green when he says that the landing of Japanese marines has brought all the Powers into direct concern with the Sino-Japanese quarrel. This is a development of the first magnitude, and it is one which Japan must have foreseen when she decided to impose pressure on the Chinese authorities in Shanghai. This step was bound to lead to complications, and it will be a fortunate circumstance if these do not increase within the next few days. It is admitted that there has been marked anti-Japanese activity in Shanghai, and that incidents have occurred which have naturally aroused Japanese indignation. On the other side, however, it will be said that these are inevitable consequences of Japan's own policy. In any event, there would appear to have been little, if any justification, for Japan to have aggravated the position by a show of force and by delivering an ultimatum to the Chinese authorities. If these things do not constitute acts of war, they are very little removed therefrom. The interference with Chinese newspapers is another unwarranted display of force which cannot be defended. In view of Japan's actions in Manchuria, can it be wondered at that the Chinese press is anti-Japanese in tone? After all, the newspapers are merely expressing public feeling, as they have a perfect right to do. Can the world be expected to believe that the Japanese press is friendly in tone towards China these days? Of course not. We all know that the Japanese propaganda factories are quite as busy as those of China. That is quite understandable in the circumstances. If the position were reversed, and Chinese troops were in occupation of part of Japan, would it be reasonable to expect Japanese newspaper comment to be innocuous? That would be asking too much of human nature. The argument applies to the Chinese press, surely.

We have previously, on more than one occasion, condemned the extreme forms of anti-Japanese feeling which have latterly been manifested in China, even after making due allowance for the provocation caused by Japanese policy. But we cannot see that matters in Shanghai have called for the measures which Japan has deemed fit to take. Indeed, by her actions she has merely aggravated the situation, and, what is far more serious, has to some extent drawn the other Powers into the dispute. Seemingly, Japan has only one doctrine to apply—the doctrine of force against a weaker nation. There are ugly possibilities in the Shanghai crisis. We can only hope that they will not develop seriously. If, however, they do, then it will be difficult for Japan to escape the major share of the blame.

[Since the above was written, Japan has seen fit to take extreme measures, despite compliance with her demands. The situation, therefore has taken on added gravity and the new developments may lead to serious international complications.]

How Harbin Appears.

It seems that another little drama, with a curious mixture of tragedy and impish elements of comedy, is to be staged by the Japanese in and around Harbin. General Hsi Hsia (at one time, by possibly apt error, miscabled Gen. Hai Yah) having failed in his attempt to oust General Ying Chao from the city, Japanese forces are being rushed from Changchun in order to establish security for Japanese lives and property. In other words, the War Office at Tokyo is not permitting the rest of the stage to lapse into inactivity merely because the spotlight in the Sino-Japanese dispute has suddenly switched from Manchuria to Shanghai. The process of consolidating the position in Manchuria must go on. General Hsi Hsia, approved by the Japanese, as new Governor of Harbin, although assisted with arms and ammunition and aeroplanes, is at present unable to assume his post with due ceremony, General Ying Chao having for some reason disapproved of the form of the notice to quit and stubbornly declined to budge. Tokyo announces a reign of terror in the city (significantly not mentioned by Reuter's correspondent in Harbin) and troops are being despatched "to protect Japanese lives and property, which appear to be endangered." That the move will also result, probably, in a clash between the Japanese forces and those of General Ying Chao, in the undermining of Ying Chao's position and the early installation of General Hsi Hsia as Governor of Harbin, may be purely incidental, and may be not. Reuter mentioned looting at Fuchiatien on Wednesday, but gave a very distinct impression that the troops of the Japanese-supported Hsi Hsia were responsible. Perhaps we are unduly suspicious, but there seems ground to enquire whether the despatch of Japanese troops to Harbin is not connected more closely to the ill-fortune which befel the attempt of the puppet General Hsi Hsia to take charge of Harbin than with immediate danger to the Japanese colony there.

The inquiry was concluded before Mr. Schofield yesterday into the circumstances of the disastrous fire on January 12, at 134, Bonham Strand, in which nearly $100,000 worth of goods in a Chinese herbalist's establishment were said to have been destroyed. The Magistrate found that there was no evidence of arson.

DAY BY DAY

I LIKE PIETISM IN WOMEN, AND DETEST MEMBERS OF THE FEMALE SEX WHO MAKE A PARADE OF ENLIGHTENMENT.—*Bismarck.*

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The Ben Line s.s. Benmohr, from Home via Straits, is due here on February 3rd.

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The annual speech day of the Central British School is to be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Tuesday, Feburary 16, at 5.30 p.m.

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Mr. Leonard N. Green of the United States Consular Staff, who has been stationed at Belfast, is taking up duties in Hongkong.

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From Messrs. Thoresen and Co. Ltd., we have received a charming Chinese wall calendar issued by the China Siam Line for which they are the agents.

THE AVERAGE BOY.

PRODIGY WE TRY TO MAKE HIM.

Drastic revision is needed in the education of the average boy.

Dr. C. A. Alington, headmaster of Eton, expressed this opinion at the Headmasters' Conference, at Charterhouse. Dr. Cyril Norwood, headmaster of Harrow, agreed with him to a considerable extent.

Points made by Dr. Alington were:

"Harassed headmasters endeavour to trim their sails to every breeze and grossly overload their curriculum, starving every subject of its proper quantity of hours in a vain attempt to propitiate criticism, forgetting that if the average Englishman could not blame his own education he would find it very difficult to account satisfactorily for his own inefficiency.

"We put an entirely exaggerated value upon knowledge as such. There are very few things indeed that we can say with certainty that everyone ought to know.

"We are sure that the average boy we instruct will never attain to more than a reasonable proficiency in some one subject, and yet we teach him as if he is likely to become a prodigy.

"The mistake is made of teaching him as if he were a potential scholar, which we know not to be the case. He is taught too many subjects in a scholarly way, or, in other words, his interests are sacrificed to those of his intellectual superiors."

Examinations.

Dr. Norwood said that he was in agreement with Dr. Alington on most of the ground he had covered.

He pointed out, however, that public schools were responsible for only the latter half of the curriculum. The curriculum stood in need of drastic revision as it concerned the earlier part through manifest defects presented by boys when they entered public schools at 13½ to 14 years of age.

In the first place they were physically inferior to the products of the elementary State-aided system of education. They were also unable to use their hands to make things and to draw and were untrained use of the eye or ear.

He did not think that any good could be done by tinkering with the curriculum. They had to change their examination system. A less high standard of marking papers was required.

"Did you see that line where he compared my stage presence with that of John Drew?"

ROADS TO PEACE.

By MUSSOLINI.

MEN and nations unite for common action when they have common sufferings, common dangers, and common aims. We are witnessing to-day the first great common effort among the nations to bring about a period of international tranquillity, thirteen years after we have passed through the greatest war which ever distressed mankind.

During these thirteen years we have had nothing but plans and discussions and proposals and every kind of ethereal promise of peace, even to the point of signing treaties which would outlaw war. And yet, in spite of all this, the nations of the world kept on building battleships, increasing armies, and organising air fleets.

But now for the first time we are able to notice a different mentality towards these things. For the first time we have encountered a general spirit to meet the question of peace on a concrete basis, and that basis which is the essential element in creating an atmosphere of peace—namely, disarmament.

As we think of this transformation after thirteen years of chatter we are tempted to hail the fact that some nations have been faced with economic bankruptcy while others are blundering through a period of depression and misery. For this is the thing which has brought the world to its senses and caused it to see that the whole foolish game was bound to end in economic ruin and national oblivion, if continued much longer.

The Peril

The time is now ripe for us to realise that either we must find a way to put our houses in order or we perish from the excessive military burdens we are bearing. Military expenditure has been devouring national surpluses, and we all are sorely needing those surpluses.

It is in this great necessity that the need for common action lies. We have all a common suffering, a common danger, and a common sin. We must relieve the misery in which the world is now living; we must ward off the danger of panic and disruption; and we must all aim for a period of calm which will permit the restoration of the economic flow.

The Disarmament Conference next week cannot be allowed to fail in the way that previous ideas have fallen through. Even before the great war—in fact, just before its outbreak—the proposal had been made to bestow on Kaiser Wilhelm II. the Nobel prize for peace! To-day, twenty years from that date, we can see how clearly such a choice could only have resulted in travesty, especially when we recall that at that very moment the arms of Germany had been raised to the highest efficiency that any military machine had ever attained.

Noble but vague ideology may get the applause of the masses, but it bears no practical results. This coming effort for peace, by the very nature of the circumstances which force practical limitation of armaments on us, will have a firmer foundation. Events of the past two years in the economic field demand that the efforts for peace from now on shall be based on the free consent and co-operation of all.

"Forced To Fight."

As each nation entered the world war the cry was raised by each, *"We are forced to fight to defend our national existence."* This time all will be forced to keep the peace to defend their national existence, and even to have "a place in the sun."

Nor can the world endure further any attempts by one Power, or a group of Powers, to pit itself against another group. The day of balance of power must be doomed if peace is to come. There can be no more talk of this, nor will there be place for international suspicion and double-dealing.

And more, the effort of any strong naval or military Power to set itself up as arbiter and create for itself a naval or military hegemony cannot again be tolerated. One nation, striving to mass for itself a great fighting machine, either on the sea, on the land, or in the air, can only arouse the anxiety of all the others who in turn increase their arms to meet the giant.

Hegemonies sooner or later result in a continuance of the old and, we hope, obsolete principle of balance of power, for smaller nations wishing to enjoy the protection of a powerful ally willingly enlist their help and arms in the service of that ally when they can be assured that their safety is certain.

The result is that a hegemonous nation finally ends by collecting in its orbit a group of smaller allies. These, when massed against the rest, in their turn force the remaining nations to unite also, and we are confronted with two hostile groups. Such a situation cannot be allowed to materialise under a thorough disarmament policy wherein all should be reduced to the mere necessity of police.

On this Italy bases her proposals. Italy is disposed to accept the lowest figure of armament, even a limit of 10,000 rifles, provided no other nation has more.

Those Plans.

Much has been said of plans since the war. We had the Dawes Plan and the Young Plan. The Russians seemed to have stirred the craze still more in the "Five-Year Plan," and now we are prone to set a time-limit on many of the projects we think of initiating. But while Europe certainly needs at least a ten-year period of peace, there is no need to set an absolute limit on it. It could go on from the minimum of ten years —and there is every reason to believe that it should go on, when once it is established on solid foundations.

It is, unhappily, impossible for mankind to get beyond certain limits in foresight and precaution. As, in the span of a single life, illness, accident or death may interfere with the most noble personal project and bring it to ruin, so it is with nationals. The unforeseen may throw a whole world out of balance. We must make allowances for that unknown quantity. Our foresight cannot be so perfect as to pledge us to a too rigid course of action beyond a certain term of years. Nothing is definite in history.

Sacred Trusts.

A loyal and serious man of state, who wishes to fulfil all his pledges whether in national or international agreements, considering them as sacred trusts and not as flippant words used for his own convenience, cannot be too careful in making measured use of time. While the attraction of novelty induces us to upset the existing state of things, the force of habit persuades us to leave things as they are. No one can tell in advance which of these tendencies will prevail in any determined field in two or three decades from now. In the life of nations we must pledge our rigid engagements only for a limited span of time, and trust that they will endure for longer and longer periods.

Now that the atmosphere is propitious for peace, whether from choice or necessity, it is the moment to start to work. When the price of wheat at Liverpool may ruin the year's toll of the farmer of Iowa, or the price of copper in London close the mines of North and South America, we feel that the world must be made to understand itself better, if peace and prosperity are to return.

BRITISH POLICY IN INDIA.

PROGRESS COMBINED WITH FIRMNESS.

BETTER OUTLOOK.

London, Jan. 28.

The latest reports from India confirm those received earlier. The Extremist movement is much less active than might have been expected, and there is a general absence of trouble in the rural areas, except in the North West Frontier Province, and even there the Red-shirt movement seems to be thoroughly shaken.

In Bombay and Ahmedabad, two centres of picketing, the support behind Congress seems to be faltering. In the United Provinces the centre of the no-rent campaign, the situation is settling down, rents and revenues are steadily coming in, and country life is resuming its normal course.

The above, said Sir Samuel Hoare, in a broadcast talk to-night, represents the present state of affairs almost in the actual words of the reports he was receiving. He expressed satisfaction that Lord Irwin, ex-Viceroy, agreed with the present Viceroy, Lord Willingdon, that it is essential for the Government to push on the work of the Conference, but also it is not less vital for the Government to safeguard the forces of law and order.

He believed there would be general agreement that the severe measures they were forced to impose in the face of threats to civilised government had been carried out with common sense, moderation and impartiality. Lord Irwin's speech completely disposed of the charge that there been a sudden reversal of Government policy.

If further evidence were needed, it could be found in the departure for India of the distinguished public men who within a few weeks would be continuing the work of the Round Table Conference on lines that the Indians on the Conference desired, and they would have as their colleague some of the most representative Indian public men.

The Government would not be deflected from their cause by evil foreboding or mischievous threats.

Its policy was simple, straightforward and sympathetic a policy of progress combined with firmness. *British Wireless.*

STOKE FAILS TO WIN AT HOME.

F.A. CUP REPLAY.

London, Jan. 28.

Stoke and Sunderland have to fight again to decide the right to meet Bury in the next round of the F. A. Cup. In their replay at Stoke to-day, they were unable to reach a decision although extra time was played. The final score was 1-1.

In the League, the results of matches played to-day were as follows:

Third Division (South.)

Northampton	2	Reading	1
Queen's P.R.	2	Palace	2
Conventry	0	Brentford	1

Third Division (South).

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Brentford	24	15	5	4	46	25	35
Fulham	25	14	5	6	69	42	33
Crystal Pal.	25	12	7	6	51	37	31
Exeter	25	13	5	7	51	40	31
Watford	25	13	4	8	54	46	30
Reading	26	12	6	8	54	49	30
Southend	25	11	7	7	46	36	29
Norwich	24	10	7	7	37	28	27
Brighton	24	11	5	8	40	33	27
Queen's P. R.	25	9	8	8	50	43	26
Coventry	25	10	6	9	61	54	26
Luton	25	11	3	11	46	43	25
Bournemouth	25	9	5	11	42	49	23
Mansfield	26	8	7	11	48	62	23
Bristol R.	25	7	6	12	45	54	22
Swindon	24	7	6	11	40	42	20
Cardiff	24	8	4	12	44	47	20
Gillingham	24	8	4	12	27	40	20
Torquay	25	6	7	12	43	66	19
Clapton O.	24	6	7	11	42	50	19
Northampton	25	5	5	15	28	49	15
Thames	26	4	7	15	29	58	15

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended Jan. 23th, 1911.

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.11/16d.

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The death occurred of Mr. G. G. Catchick, of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., at the age of 29 years. He was a keen Volunteer.

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The China Navigation Company's s.s. Tean inaugurated a service between Hongkong and coastal ports of the Philippines.

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Much interest was taken in the arrival in Hongkong of "Bud" Mars, an American aviator, with three biplanes for the purposes of giving displays locally.

THE WAR DEBTS.

ELIMINATION NOT A SOLUTION.

London, Jan. 28.

A warning against the belief that the elimination of War Debts and Reparations would create a new heaven upon earth, has been uttered by the Hon. Rupert Beckett, Chairman of the Westminster Bank.

He said that it was misleading to suppose that such a development would enable all nations to start from scratch, and added "There are some which, in the coming negotiations, have all to gain and nothing to lose. Great Britain occupies a position between these extremes."

If War Debts and Reparations are eliminated, Britain's colossal internal debt and burdensome taxation will remain, while some of her commercial and industrial creditors will secure relief from their already comparatively light obligations.—*Reuter.*

World Co-Operation Only Remedy.

London, Jan. 28.

Reviewing the world economic tendencies at the annual meeting of shareholders, the chairman of the Westminster Bank, Mr. Rupert Beckett, expressed the view that out of the Great War came, not only inevitable poverty and burdens, but the even more formidable spirit and policy of narrow nationalism, begotten of the war fever.

The result was the creation of the vast inter-Government debts, requiring a transference of huge sums from nation to nation, without any relation to the trade passing between them, and the erection at the same time of trade barriers, which effectively impeded that very flow of commerce through which alone such a huge scheme of international obligations might conceivably have been carried out. The past year's events had served definitely to demonstrate the need for a spirit of co-operation, to be extended to a wider international sphere. He hoped the statesmen would subordinate their national prejudices to the greater issue or world progress. *British Wireless.*

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

The morning session opened very quiet and in a few instances we have to record slightly lower rates.

Sales.

Electrics, $77½.
Realties, $11.85.
Lands, $81½.
Constructions (new), $2.

Buyers.

H. K. Steamboats, $23.
Venezuelan Goldfields, $2.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80½.
Yaumati Ferries, $27.
Canton Ice, $5.
Sinceres, $16.
Benguets, $11½.
Chinese Estates, $95.
Realties, $11.65.
Singapore Tractions, 3.
Dairy Farms, $29.
H. K. Government Loan, 8½ premium.

Sellers.

Indo-China, (Pref.), $45.
Indo-China, (Def.), $32.
Hotels (old), $15.10.
Cements (combined), $19.10.
Entertainments, (old), $16½.
Raubs, $39.
Kailans, 307.
Malabon Sugars, $38.
Dairy Farms, $29½.
Enterprises, $10.

SHANGHAI BANKS CLOSED.

EXCHANGE BUSINESS AT STANDSTILL.

Telegrams have been received in the Colony to the effect that the native banks and gold bar market in Shanghai have closed down, in consequence of the crisis caused by Japan's action.

As a result exchange business is at a standstill. There were expections of a rise in exchange, but indications are that conditions are easy. In Hongkong, the market is quietly steady, with rates unchanged.

LEAGUE TO MAKE DECLARATION.

PRIVATE MEETING OF COUNCIL.

Geneva, Jan. 28.

The League Council met at 5.30 p.m. without the Japanese or Chinese representatives, and discussed in private the declaration regarding Manchuria which M. Paul Boncour, the President, will make at the next public meeting. —*Reuter.*

BOGUS HEIR.

YOUTH ENGAGES

Valets, Secretaries Rent Collectors

A young man who posed as the sole beneficiary under the will of an alleged millionaire, and had only 1s. in his possession when arrested, was sentenced at North London recently to four months' hard labour.

The defendant was a 20-year-old clerk named John Down, of Mersey-road, Walthamstow.

He pleaded guilty to obtaining £105 from Mrs. Alice Kenny, of London Fields, E., by false pretences.

A detective said that Down was employed as a messenger from 1927 to 1929 by a journalist. In the middle of 1930 he went to his parents, who were very respectable people and had been completely taken in by him, and said that his late employer had died (which was untrue) and that he had left him the whole of his fortune, which amounted to over a million pounds in money and stocks, and several thousand houses in various parts of the country.

From that time he had been getting money on the representation that he was coming into this fortune.

He had engaged various persons as valets, rent collectors, secretaries, etc.

£5,000 a Year Post.

An administrator of an estate at Pangbourne was to be engaged at £5,000 a year and Mr. Kenny, the husband of the prosecutrix, was to be a "travelling companion" at £50 a year.

Down, added the detective, had obtained altogether £175 from Mrs. Kenny, practically the whole of her savings. A Mr. Douglas, of Walthamstow, gave him £40, but did not wish to charge him.

In passing sentence the magistrate commented on the stupidity of people in giving their life savings to a young man without any credentials who told them that he had been left a million.

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Many Sports Pictures To-morrow.

There will be a big array of sports pictures in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement.

Interport sportsmen will be seen in tennis, soccer and Rugby events, whilst pictures will also appear of the Volunteer and the Indian School sports. Hockey teams representing the Fourth Submarine Flotilla and the Deutscher Klub will also be seen in a group. Fanling Races pictures will also appear.

The annual inspection of the Ambulance Brigade by H. E. the Governor and the opening of the new playground at Wanchai, equipped by the Rotary Club, will also be illustrated.

Amongst many other illustrations will be several pictures taken at the inauguration of the garden suburb scheme, whilst a group taken at the dinner of the Armoured Car Section of the Defence Corps will also be given.

BRITISH EMPIRE TITLE.

LARRY GAINS BEATS MCCORKINDALE.

London, Jan. 28.

At the Albert Hall to-night, in a fifteen rounds contest for the heavyweight championship of the British Empire, Larry Gains, the coloured Canadian champion, fought a draw with Don McCorkindale, the South African champion.—*Reuter.*

DEATH AFTER DISOBEYING DOCTOR.

TOLD FAIRY TALE DESPITE PAIN.

Barely a week after declaring at a prize distribution that she was disobeying her doctor's orders by being out, the Hon. Mrs. Davey, wife of Colonel the Hon. H. S. Davey, of Somerset Place, Bath, died recently from a stroke.

Mrs. Davey had been giving prizes at the Bath Junior Technical School and despite her pain told the children a fairy story.

She collapsed when she reached home and was unconscious for three days.

GOLD SHIPMENT TO LONDON.

TWO BULLION SHIPS AT PLYMOUTH.

(Reuter's Special Service).

Gold worth more than £6,000,000 reached Plymouth to-day.

The P. and O. liner Mantua brought bullion valued at £1,288,000 from India for London, whilst the s.s. President Harding carried gold from New York worth G$16,000,000.

Of the latter consignment, £1,000,000 worth is for London, and the remainder for France.

SHANGHAI BECOMES BATTLEFIELD.

(Continued from Page 1.)

bers this morning.

The Japanese military officers directing operations have issued a notification requesting the citizens to continue with their routine work.

Chinese City Defences.

The Chinese Municipal Government has mobilised all the police in the Chinese city for the preservation of peace. Soldiers of the Nineteenth Route Command are patrolling the streets, following an appeal by the leading firms in the Chinese City for protection.

General Tsai Ting-kai, the officer commanding, is supervising the Chinese defence. Pedestrians on the streets are subjected to rigid interrogation this morning while all the hotels and boarding houses in the Chinese City have refused to admit visitors.—*Rensha.*

Demonstration Stopped.

A monster Chinese meeting in a protest against the Japanese "threat" to Shanghai was planned yesterday, but the meeting was stopped by Chinese Police who prevented them from entering the Public Recreation Ground, the proposed scene of the demonstration. The Government has also taken over all the seized Japanese goods stored at the headquarters of the Anti-Japanese Boycott Society.—*Rensha.*

WALKERS AND THE ROADS.

"MORE DANGER."

That in the present year the roads have become for the walking public at least ten per cent. more dangerous, is a statement made by the Pedestrians' Association, in a return on the number of accidents in the Metropolitan Police area during the first nine months of the year.

The Association also states:

"There is no evidence that the roads have become any safer for users as a whole. On the contrary, they may have become more dangerous.

"The roads have become more dangerous for the walking public.

"So far as motorists have at all changed their standards of care in driving, it is much for the worse as regards the walking public.

During the year, it is added, there had been a very considerable decrease in road traffic.

"The abolition of the speed limit," says the Association, "has proved, so far as the walking public are concerned—by far the most numerous class of victim—nothing less than a disaster."

Pedestrians under five years of age killed this year numbered, says the return, 50, against 38 last year.

Immediate action is urged.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 6/9¼ up ¼d.
May 6/11¼ up ¼d.
August 7/1½ up ¼d.
December 7/4¾ up ¼d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking ¼d-½d more.

New York Terminals.

March 1.02 no change.
May 1.05 up 1 pt.
July 1.11 no change.
September 1.16 up 1 pt.
December 1.21 no change.

Sourabaya (28/1/32).—Trust Mills sold Whites 13,000 tons at f6.50—buyers and price not disclosed.

A 2-year-old Chinese infant, found abandoned yesterday in Po Yuen Street, a narrow thorougfare near the Tung Wah Hospital, was admitted to the institution where it died, the victim apparently of small-pox.

RADIO BROADCAST

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF RECORD MUSIC.

Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wave-length of 355 metres.

5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records.

7.00 p.m. Stock Quotations, Mail Notice, etc.

7.05-8.00 p.m. Variety.

Orchestral-Mean to Me.
Ted Wallace and His Campus Boys.
Orchestral-Sweet Music.
Paul Specht and His Orchestra. 5455.
Humorous Song-He's Tall, Dark and Handsome.
Humorous Song-Virginia (There's a Blue Ridge in my Heart).
Sophie Tucker. 4942.
Organ Solo-Little Pal.
Organ Solo-I'm in Seventh Heaven.
Terance Casey. 5625.
Humorous Monologue-The Picnic.
William McCulloch. 5570.
Piano Solo-Jasmine.
Piano Solo-Sweet Nothings.
Billy Mayerl. 5671.
Vocal Duet-On the Top of the World, Alone.
Vocal Duet-Through!
Layton and Johnstone. 5586.
Saxophone Solo-The Sweetest Kiss of All.
Saxophone Solo-Sax Serene.
Rudy Weidoeft. 4237.
Vocal Duet-Mon Coeur.
Maurice Chevalier and Yvonne Vallee.
Song-Je Ne Dis Pas Non.
Maurice Chevalier. 4402.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.05-8.40 p.m. Orchestral.

Prisoner of Love (Razaf-Waller).
Handsome Gigolo (Carucci).
Albert Sandler and His Orch. DB39.
Chanson Bohemienne (Boldi-Nussbaum).
The Clock is Playing (Blaauw).
Jean Lensen and His Orch. 4741.
The Language of the Nightingale (Gennin).
The Jolly Whistlers (Gennin).
The Bournemouth Municipal Orch. with Piccolos. DB178.
Fantome (Daniderff).
Serenade Passionee (Silesu).
Jean Lensen and His Orch. DB26.
Second Serenade (Toselli arr. Geehl).
Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsakow arr. Kreisler).
Jean Lensen and His Orch. 3919.

8.40-9.43 p.m. A Concert.

Song-The Chocolate Soldier-My Hero (Stange and Strauss).
Song-The Merry Widow-Vilia (Ross-Lehar).
Virginia Perry with Chorus. 4384.
Organ Solo-Devotion (Ketelbey).
Organ Solo-Pleading (Haydn Wood).
Terance Casey. 5384.
Song-I Love the Moon (Rubens).
Song-The Little Green Balcony (McDermaid-Coates).
Hubert Eisdell (Tenor). 4811.
Instrumental-"Kashmiri Song" and "Till I Wake" from "The Four Indian Love Lyrics" (Amy Woodforde-Finden).
Jacques Jacob's Ensemble. 3983.
Chorus-Island Sheiling Song (Hebridean Song).
Chorus-(a) Blow, My Bully Boys, Blow (b) Billy Boy (arr. Sir R. Terry).
Greenock Male Voice Choir. 4523.
Piano Solo-Wagneria (Doucet).
Piano Solo-Chopinata (Doucet).
Clement Doucet. 4636.
Negro Spiritual:-Run, Mary, Run (Arr. Guion).
Negro Spiritual-Nobody Knows de Trouble I Sees (arr. Guion).
Edna Thomas (Soprano). 5194.
Octet-Melody (Dawes).
Octet-Moonbeams and Shadows (Squire).
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 5639.
Song-Sittin' Thinkin' (Tempest and Fisher).
Song-You Along O' Me (O'Reilly-Sanderson).
Malcolm McEachern (Bass). 4855.

9.43-10.11 p.m. Musical Comedy and Talkie Tunes.

Mr. Cinders-Spread a Little Happiness.
Binnie Hale (Soprano).
Mr. Cinders-I'm a One-Man Girl.
Binnie Hale (Soprano) and Bobby Howes. 5334.
Bitter Sweet-If Love Were All.
Bitter Sweet-Bitter Sweet.
Jack Payne and His B. B. C. Dance Orchestra. 5443.
Nippy-The Toy Town Party.
Nippy-Nippy.
Binnie Hale (Soprano) with Debroy Somers Band. DB349.
Whoopee-Film Songs Medley.
Billy Cotton and His Band. DB382.

10.11-10.27 p.m. Operatic.

La Tosca-Prelude Act 3 (Puccini).
Milan Symphony Orchestra. 5394.
Aida-Grand March (Verdi).
Milan Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. 9605.
(This Record is by Special Request).

10.27 p.m. Rugby Mid-Day Press News.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT.

AMERICA FACING VERY SERIOUS CRISIS.

New York, Jan. 28.

Mr. William Green, President of the American Federation of Labour, estimates that the number of unemployed in the United States now reaches 8,000,000. He says that city relief is collapsing and private charity is failing, and that the country is facing an unprecedented unemployment crisis. —*Reuter's American Service.*

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MAMAK HOCKEY MATCH.

RADIO SPORTS CLUB TEAM FOR TO-DAY.

The following members of the Radio Sports Club will represent the hockey eleven in the Mamak Competition against the Central British Association at Caroline Hill at 5 p.m. this afternoon: A. Spary, Parduman Singh, J. S. Grewal, M. H. Hassan, A. E. P. Guest, Mohinnder Singh, Harbhajan Singh, J. T. K. Gilchrist, Gurbachan Singh, and F. A. Kemp. Reserves.—Surjin Singh, Karnail Singh and Attar Singh.

The above Radio Team will also play another M. H. T. Hockey match against R.A.S.C. at 11 a.m. on Sunday at Caroline Hill.

Club v. Argylls.

The Hongkong Hockey Club first eleven are playing the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders on the U.S.R.C. ground at 5 p.m. on Wednesday and will be represented by the following players: G. Duncan; W. Woodward, J. Rodger; W. A. Reed, A. A. Dand, E. V. Reed; H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, D. B. Evans and J. L. Tetley.

Club Seconds v. Recreio.

On Monday the Hongkong Hockey Club seconds will meet the Club de Recreio on the Club ground at 5 p.m. with the following team: E. S. Moses; L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan; G. F. Rees, E. G. S. Dale, A. A. R. Botelho; D. R. Kilbee, S. J. H. Fox, W. A. Nowers, S. Hill and E. C. Fincher.

Yesterday's Game.

The Royal Signals met the "Incognitos" in the Mamak Hockey Tournament yesterday and played a goalless draw after a fast and interesting game.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

ARMY TO MEET CANTON TEAMS.

By kind permission of the General Officer Commanding British Troops in China, an Army football team is proceeding to Canton on the evening of February 5 to play two matches against a representative team of that city.

All money realised by the two games will go to a fund which is being raised in Canton in aid of Chinese charities.

A strong team has been selected for this short tour and the team will take part in a match against the Singapore Malayan Chinese on Saturday, January 30, on the Caroline Hill ground at 4 p.m.

The Army team consists of the following players:—Hastie (Argyll and S.H.), Frearson (Royal Artillery), Morrison (S. W. Borderers), Gordon (Argyll and S.H.), Channing (S. W. Borderers), Underwood (S. W. Borderers), Harris (S. W. Borderers), McTavish (Argyll and S.H.), Wylie (Argyll and S.H.), Campbell (Argyll and S.H.), Duncan (S. W. Borderers). Reserves: Henderson (Argyll and S.H.), and Bryant (Royal Artillery).

Malayan Team.

Kam Pak, Cheuk Wah, Kam Thang, Hor Kwon, Khik Hoe, Lim Lock, Edien Then, Shan Tak, Man Kit, Hai Shan and Kit Shang.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE SECONDS TO PLAY BORDERERS.

On the Civil Service ground tomorrow afternoon the home team will meet the South Wales Borderers in a second Division League match and will be represented by the following players: H. E. Strange (Capt.); B. C. K. Hawkins, A. E. Wood, S. Randle, W. H. Edmonds, A. W. Grimmitt, R. G. Robertson, R. H. Woodman, N. Bebbington, J. F. McGowan and F. E. Matthews.

University v. Recreio.

The University seconds will entertain the Club de Recreio whose team for to-morrow's League match is as follows: H. A. Alves, H. M. Xavier, Dr. A. P. Guterres, A. Prata, L. J. Guterres, L. J. Silva, J. H. Figueiredo, A. P. Pereira, F. J. Remedios, H. A. Barros and F. H. Carvalho.

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Mercantile A. and B., £18 n.
East Asia, $127½ n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., $1,350 n.
Union Ins., $410 n.
China Underwriters, $4.62½ n.
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South China Motors $10 n.
Providents (old) $5.30 sa.
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New Engineers Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90½ n.

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Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80½ b.
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H. K. Lands, $81½ sa.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 30 n.
Humphreys' $19 n.
Realties, $11.65. b.

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Peak Trams, (old), $15.60 n.
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China Lights, $26.90 sa.
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Mackintosh, $19 n.
Sinceres $16 b.
Powells, $3.60 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, $19.90 n.
Entertainments (old) $16¼ s.
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S. C. Enterprises $10 n.
Constructions (new), $2 sa.
B. Ind. G. $ Bonds, $58% n.
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"DEAD" MAN ARRESTED.

SWINDLER AS MOURNER AT HIS OWN FUNERAL.

Lyons, Dec. 23.

A man who was arrested here on a trivial charge, when questioned as to how he came to have a considerable sum of money on his person, admitted that it was the proceedings of an audacious scheme by which he had obtained 150,000 francs (£1,250 at par) from an insurance company.

He explained that six or seven months ago he arranged with a woman friend that he should "die" in order that she could draw the insurance money on his life. Painting his face, a yellowy-green, the man took a drug which induced deep sleep. Doctors were called in, and after a cursory examination gave a certificate permitting his burial.

When the man had recovered from the effects of the narcotic a mummy was placed in the coffin and the funeral went off without a hitch. The man himself, heavily disguised, followed as one of the mourners.

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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Marie Dressler who will be seen on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre in the new Metro-Goldwin-Mayer comedy "Politics," is one person who hasn't succumbed to the mad whirl of modern sophistication.

Still following the simple and homely philosophy which, she states, has brought her success and contentment, she stands out as a lone star in a field of rush and bustle.

"I'll tell you what's the matter with the world to-day," asserted Miss Dressler recently, "everyone is so busy trying to capture the big things of life that they are passing up the little things, the sweet and kind things, which are, after all, the big things.

"Most folks are rushing so blindly hither and yon, patterning themselves after the mob that they have no time to develop their own personalities.

"We are all blessed with a personality and my advice is to work on it even while sleeping . . . and don't think you don't work when you're sleeping, because the subconscious mind works all the time.

"Parents believe they are expressing love when they save and deny themselves luxuries so that they can give their children the things they did not have, but instead they are killing their children's chances of ever being anything. Until you are on your own in the world you never find out what's in you. Give yourself and your children the privilege of working out daily problems alone. Pick up a piece of sewing and see how clearly your mind will solve the difficulties. Work in the garden. Read a lot. Avoid the crowds. This, I know from experience, will bring contentment out of chaos and discord."

"Only Saps Work."

Tumultuous comedy marched into the King's Theatre to-day with the opening of "Only Saps Work," the Paramount talkie version of one of Owen Davis' justly-famous plays.

And it marched in the erratic, zigzag tempo of that elastic-kneed leg of Mr. Leon Errol, dean of the school of Tricky Falls.

But it must be said at once, that the laugh-confection at the King's Theatre is not all comedy, for there is just the proper balance of a boy-and-girl romance, interwoven with basis plot of mystery, quick-change situation and comical crookedness.

Richard Arlen and Mary Brian are the boy and girl who finally achieve the fade-out embrace after going through the amusing and exciting paces set for them by the author. They turn in first-rate performances. And it is apparent to any one with half an eye for feminine beauty that Miss Brian is sweeter than ever.

The story revolves around Errol, who is a care-free gentleman of the lightfingered profession with a soft spot in his heart for Arlen, whom he has met in a boarding house. When Arlen takes a job as a pantry boy at an exclusive Health Farm, Errol goes with him, posing as a private detective in search of some mysterious crooks. In reality Errol has just robbed a bank and is covering up his theft by his trip to the Health Farm.

Mary Brian arrives at the institution to care for her ailing father, and Arlen is forced to resort to many hilariously funny subterfuges to prevent her from seeing him there, in the position of a menial.

There is a series of grand mix-ups in which Stuart Erwin, as a bellboy, takes instructions in sleuthing from Errol; two detectives arrive to arrest Errol; and two more detectives arrive to arrest the first detective.

It all comes out right-side up at the finish. With Errol leading the laughs it couldn't go wrong.

"The Secret Call."

Richard Arlen and Peggy Shannon (latest Hollywood "find") are co-featured in "The Secret Call," tensely gripping romantic drama of modern political intrigue in a big city, which will be the main feature on the bill at the King's Theatre on Sunday next.

The story which was written by William B. de Mille, famous figure in moviedom for many years, deals with the lives of a boy and girl who are inextricably bound in the activities of a big political "party machine."

Miss Shannon is seen as the daughter of a politician, a one time henchman of the "Big Boss" who is made the "goat" in a city-wide investigation of the practice of his party. He alone bears the disgrace which is due the entire "machine."

The girl swears vengeance on "the boss" after her father dies, broken-hearted by the disgrace. To earn a livelihood she becomes a telephone operator in a big hotel. When her enemy, "the boss," makes this hotel his headquarters she learns enough facts about his shady operations in politics to send him to jail. But she is in love with Arlen, son of "the boss"—and thus is caught between a burning desire for vengeance, and an impulse to protect her lover. The plot carries on through a series of high-voltage situations, to the staccato accompaniment of fast dialogue. The denouement is a happy one.

A large cast of competent actors supports Miss Shannon and Arlen. Among them are William B. Davidson, the magistrate of "The Vice Squad," Harry Beresford, elderly apartment-seeker of "Up Pops the Devil," Ned Sparks and Jed Prouty, hotel habitues of "The Devil's Holiday," Jane Keith, Selmer Jackson and Claire Dodd.

"Beyond Victory" Scores Success.

The public taste for something new and entirely different in the matter of screen entertainment is gratified by "Beyond Victory" a fine Pathe picture which was shown with great success at the Central Theatre. It is from start to finish a highly impressive production.

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"Beyond Victory" tells not one, but four separate and distinct stories linked by a fifth sequence which portrays a dramatic situation in the Great War when four soldiers from different walks of life, face almost certain death. And in each of these separate stories the dominant and most dramatic incident in the civilian lives of the four men is unfolded—incidents which in themselves contain all the ingredients necessary for the ordinary picture.

The four soldiers are played by William Boyd, James Gleason, Fred Scott and Lew Cody, while in the civilian sequences there are stars and featured players including Zasu Pitts, Marion Shilling Lissi Arna and Theodore Von Eltz. Excellent support is given by Russell Gleason, Mary Carr, Wade Boteler, Bert Roach, S. H. Calvert, Fred Walton, Rockliffe Fellowes, Lora Baxter and Hedwiga Reicher. The direction by John Robertson was in every respect praiseworthy as also, was the photography by John Mescall. The sound reproduction was perfect.

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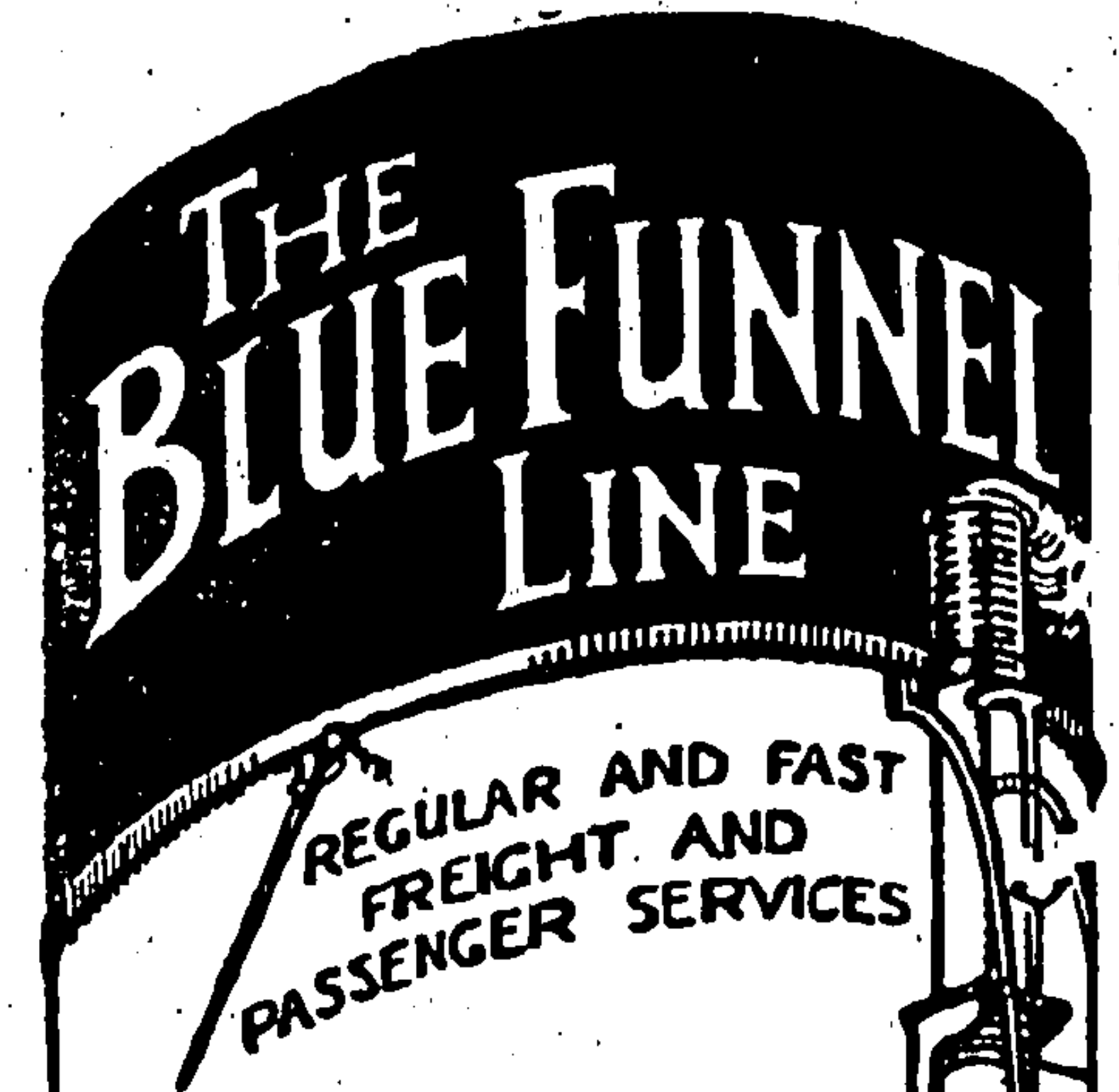
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THE OCCUPATION OF CHAPEI.

(Continued from Page 2.)

State, Mr. H. L. Stimson, and the British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Lindsay, the United States Government have sent a communication to London which is now under the examination of the British Government, regarding the situation in Shanghai.

According to press reports, the Chinese authorities continue to display indecision regarding the Japanese demand for the suppression of the anti-Japanese boycott and the demonstrations which are taking place in Shanghai, and drastic action is threatened failing a satisfactory reply.—*British Wireless.*

American Move.

New York, Jan. 28.

The United States is awaiting Britain's answer to the suggestion that a common stand should be made against the Japanese "invasion" of China.

All signs, according to the Associated Press correspondent at Washington, point to some definite action being taken, as high officials have been studying with unconcealed gravity the ominous developments at Shanghai. Two possible lines of action are unofficially suggested—British and American economic pressure, which would include blockading, or an embargo on Japanese goods: and a joint naval display in Chinese waters.—*Reuter's American Service.*

British Ambassador & Stimson.

Washington, Jan. 28.

The British Ambassador has had a long interview with Mr. Stimson at the latter's home, on the situation at Shanghai.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Memoranda to Japan.

Washington, Jan. 28.

On the eve of the termination of the Japanese ultimatum to China, the State Department has published all the correspondence with Japan and China and the League with reference to Manchuria, in response to a resolution by the Senate.

It consists of 64 pages of documents sent to the Senate by Mr. Stimson, and reveals a number of sharply-worded memoranda to Japan, hitherto not published. The fact that this complete file was furnished to the Senate at a critical moment of the situation is taken to indicate definitely that the State Department desires, without reservation, to disclose its relations with Japan before any further steps are taken.—*Reuter's American Service.*

More Information Sought.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

It is learned that Washington has requested Tokyo to give more specific information as to what steps are contemplated at Shanghai.

It is understood that the communication could not be regarded as a protest, but more in the form of an enquiry.—*Reuter.*

Japan's Standpoint.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

Apprehension that the Japanese will take action inside the International Settlement at Shanghai is absolutely unfounded, declares the Foreign Office spokesman. As the Shanghai Municipal authorities have promised to close the anti-Japanese headquarters in the International Settlement, the Japanese action will be confined to forcibly closing the offices of the anti-Japanese associations outside the Settlement, and removing goods illegally seized by the boycotters.

While regretting the "misapprehensions under which Washington appears to be labouring," the spokesman emphasises the hope that violence will be avoided, and intimates that the Japanese action is mainly intended to "quieten our own people, whose indignation at the recent incidents has reached such a pitch that they might attempt to take matters into their own hands, if nothing is done."

It is stated here that the French Consul General at Shanghai has promised to afford protection to Japanese inside the French Concession.—*Reuter.*

Japan Explains.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

For the purpose of avoiding any misunderstanding regarding the contemplated naval operations at Shanghai, Mr. Yoshizawa has instructed the Japanese diplomatic representatives abroad to explain to the Governments to which they are accredited that so long as the Chinese authorities permit the existence of anti-Japanese organisations and allow other lawless elements to continue their lawless activities, Japan will be forced to adopt strong measures in self-defence, for the protection of the Japanese in Shanghai and elsewhere.

Three more warships have been ordered to prepare to proceed to Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

THE HARBIN OUTBREAK.

GENERAL MA AS MEDIATOR.

Harbin, Jan. 28, 6.38 p.m.

The picturesque figure of General Ma Chan-shan, the defender of the Nonni River and Tsitsihar has appeared in the limelight again to-day, and to his intervention Harbin owes thanks for being spared the horrors of war.

Through his mediation the contending armies have agreed on peace terms and Ting Chao's forces are withdrawing outside the limits of Harbin.—*Reuter.*

Despatch of Troops Explained.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

The War Office in a statement to the press explains that the commander of the Japanese army in Manchuria decided to despatch troops to Harbin after receiving an urgent request from the chairman of the Japanese Residents' Association, who stressed the grave danger to which the Japanese colony was exposed through the depredations of Ting Chao's troops, who have already inflicted death and injuries on a number of Japanese and Koreans. —*Reuter.*

The Japanese Troops.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

It is learned that a total of about 1,000 troops have been sent to Harbin, consisting of two battalions of infantry and a battalion of artillery under Major General Hasebe, who commanded the Japanese troops at the Nonni River engagement last November. —*Reuter Special.*

Explanation to Russia.

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

It is authoritatively stated that the Japanese Ambassador at Moscow has been instructed to explain to the Soviet the reasons necessitating the despatch of troops to Harbin, and at the same time reassure the Soviet that there is no intention to seize or damage the railway; moreover, that Japan will pay the costs of transportation of troops.—*Reuter Special.*

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Both Mr. and Mrs. McLeod are especially well known in musical circles, Mr. McLeod being one of the principal actors, and vocalists of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society. Mrs. McLeod was taken ill at the opening performance of the last Philharmonic production, in which she was to appear, and had never recovered.

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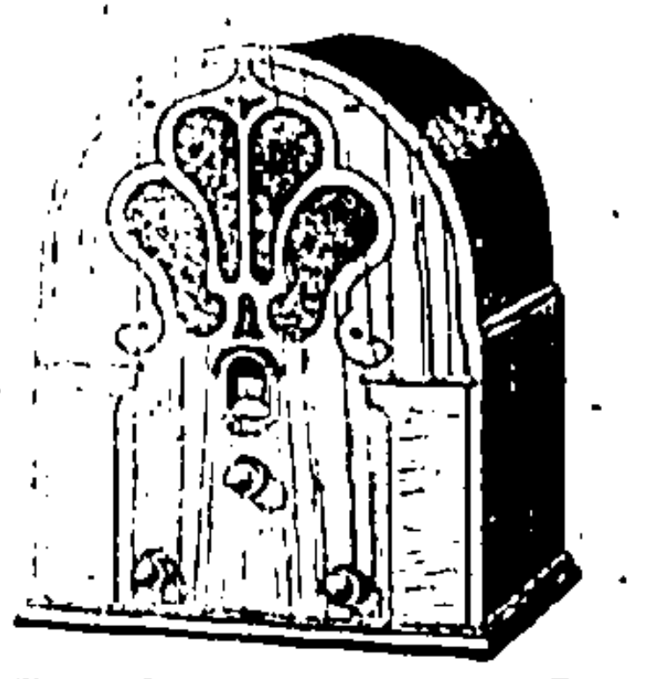

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jailer. Did he know it yet? Mary could not tell.

"May I inquire why you brought that man aboard?" Bruce demanded angrily as soon as De Loma had departed. "And what does this sudden sailing mean?"

With Louise present, naturally it was impossible to tell him of the night's events. Mary looked doubtfully at Mr. Jupiter, before replying.

"Your father hopes to do a little fishing, I think," she answered. "If he can get the right bait."

Bruce looked from the girl to his father and back again, sensing a double meaning in the words.

"But why take De Loma of all people?" he asked, puzzled.

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Mr. Jupiter cleared his throat and made his first contribution to the conversation. He continued to look with innocent, bland eyes at the water decanter in the centre of the table as he spoke.

"Possibly as a companion for the Countess here," he said. He turned to her with elaborate courtesy. "The man is an old friend of yours, I believe you told us?"

The Countess' eyes flashed. She did not reply. It was not possible for her to be longer deceived by the lamblike exterior he had shown her. The "sweet child" was not so guileless as she had believed. She was beginning to have real qualms. She was a lady not without experience, and she had read such signs before. Nervousness, combined with mal de mer, unmanned her for the time being.

She rose and rushed from the room. Bruce following hastily, hurling a savage look at his parent as he did so.

"Brute! To harass a helpless woman!" the look said. Mr. Jupiter chewed industriously. His eye glinted humorously in Mary's direction.

"Take back everything you've ever said about newspaper reporters," Mary told him, "or I won't give you what I've got upstairs."

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"Is that so?" Delight made itself evident in the old man's face. "Well, now, if we get rid of that hussy, we'll have to make that boy a little present."

"Wedding present it will be, I think."

Why did she flush as she said it? George Bowen was nothing to her. It surprised her to find that she missed the faithful lad's adoration, now that it was focussed on the attractive Miss Brown. Wanting only Dirk, she still would have found it pleasant to keep Bowen at her chariot-wheels, too. What a little cat she was! It amazed her to discover this about herself.

Was that—could it be—how Dirk felt about Cornelia's dogged pursuit? Was it merely human vanity in both of them? She began to see things in a clearer light.

Remembering Dirk sent her hurrying below to see how he was. The first cloud fell on her day as she opened the door and saw him lying, staring with wide pained eyes at a corner of the empty cabin. Her heart turned over with pity for him. He looked gentler, somehow. Loneliness and helplessness can do that to the most stubborn of us.

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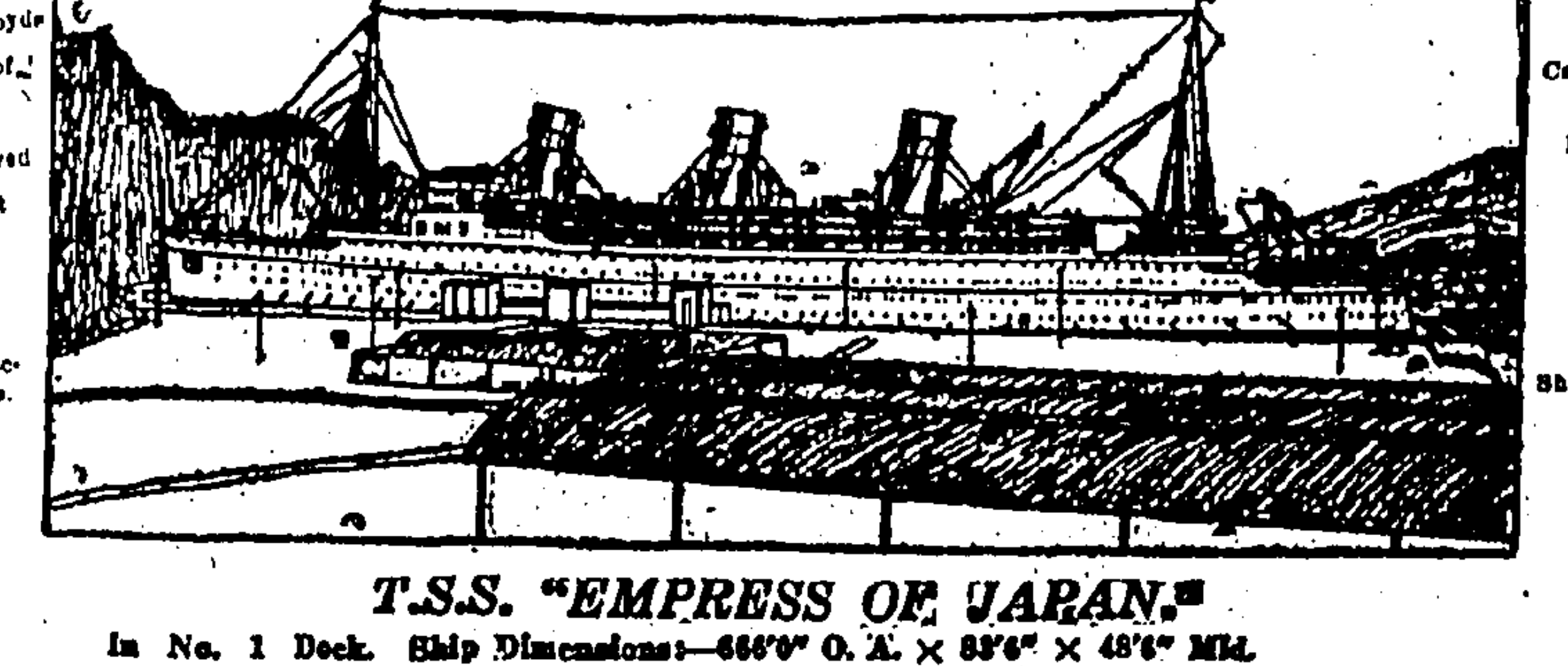

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THE LIBRARY OF MEDICINE.

SERIOUS FINANCIAL OUTLOOK.

The finest library of medical works in the world will be faced with serious financial difficulties in the coming year.

The Library of the Royal Society of Medicine, in Wimpole-street, London, has the distinction of possessing a collection of books of all ages, in all tongues, on every medical subject, without equal. The volumes number 150,000.

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The Society is practically dependent on subscription income, the income beyond this amounting to only about £3,000 annually, and it is therefore maintained for the greater part of the year on a bank overdraft.

The fall in the value of the pound will probably cost an extra £1,000 this year in the maintenance of one of the most important branches of the library's work the supply of foreign periodicals.

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S:W.B. PRIVATE ON MURDER CHARGE.

WOMAN CYCLISTS DEATH.

Burford, Dec. 22.

A private of the 2nd Battalion South Wales Borderers, George Thomas Pople (22), was at Burford, Oxfordshire, to-night, charged with the murder of Mrs. Mabel Matthews, the woman cyclist who was found dying on the main road near Burford on Saturday night.

Pople had been brought from Brecon in a police car, and his arrival at the police station was seen by a crowd of several hundreds of townspeople who had waited in the High-street all day.

He was remanded for eight days.

The hearing was held in the chargeroom of the police station—a room so small that even the the magistrates had to stand.

Articles of Clothing.

Detective-Inspector E. J. Roppington, of the Oxford County Police, said:

"At 4.30 p.m. to-day I saw the accused detained at the Brecon police station, and I told him that I had been investigating the case of the wilful murder in Burford, Orfordshire. I produced articles of clothing and other property and asked him if they were his. He said 'Yes,' and made a short statement, which I do not propose to put in now."

Pople, who was wearing uniform, but was without a hat or coat, stood to attention when the magistrate asked him if he had any questions to ask. He answered "No, sir," in a quiet voice.

[It is understood that Pople's home is at Brecon. His battalion is stationed at Portsmouth.]

BABY TO BE BORN IN PRISON.

MOTHER'S THEFT.

A woman who was said to be expecting the birth of a child within a few hours was sentenced at Tonbridge (Kent) Police Court to two months' imprisonment.

On hearing the sentence she collapsed and had to be carried from the court.

The woman, Ethel May Maddams (30), and her husband, George William Maddams, aged 47, were charged with theft. The husband was sent to prison for three months.

Superintendent Shepherd stated that George Maddams had been a member of the Worcestershire police, but was dismissed for assault after 16 years' service. Later he was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for bigamy.

The Bench included two women magistrates, Mrs. Henry Hills and Mrs. Mackley.

TRAIN DERAILED AT BAKER STREET.

SHOPPERS HELD UP IN TUNNEL.

Baker-street Metropolitan Railway Station was "isolated" on Xmas Eve as the result of the 8.27 train to Wembley Park being derailed just inside the tunnel at the station.

The passengers on the train, which was fairly crowded, walked back along the line to the station.

At 10.30 an official of the Traffic Manager's office said to a Press representative, "the derailment has caused Baker-street to be 'isolated.'"

Outward bound trains were run from St. John's Wood.

The first three coaches of the train were derailed, and immediately a breakdown engine was rushed from Neasden. The coaches blocked all the three lines into the station, and it was impossible to run trains in either direction.

Hundreds of women, returning from their Christmas shopping, found, when they reached the station, that the only way to get home was by omnibus to St. John's Wood station, from which a skeleton service in both directions was operated.

Suburban Traffic Delayed.

No notice was posted on the Bakerloo Railway, and passengers on the platforms who were hoping for a train were entertained by the sight of hundreds of theatregoers—men and women in evening dress—dashing up the escalator in a hurry to catch trains which they thought were about to leave.

In addition to the trains to Aylesbury, a number of suburban stations as far as Harrow were affected.

Greyhound racing enthusiasts returning from the meeting at Wembley Park had to leave the train at St. John's Wood and continue their journey by omnibus or join the Inner Circle railway at another point.

Between 10.30 and 10.45 one line was cleared, and single line trains were run through.

The breakdown taking place in the mouth of the tunnel made the work of the breakdown gang difficult. When the crane arrived its movements were restricted as the jib could not be raised.

Another official stated that it was one of the worst "hold ups" of traffic the company had experienced for a number of years.

A meeting of the Hongkong Practical Psychology Club will be held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant to-day at 5 p.m.

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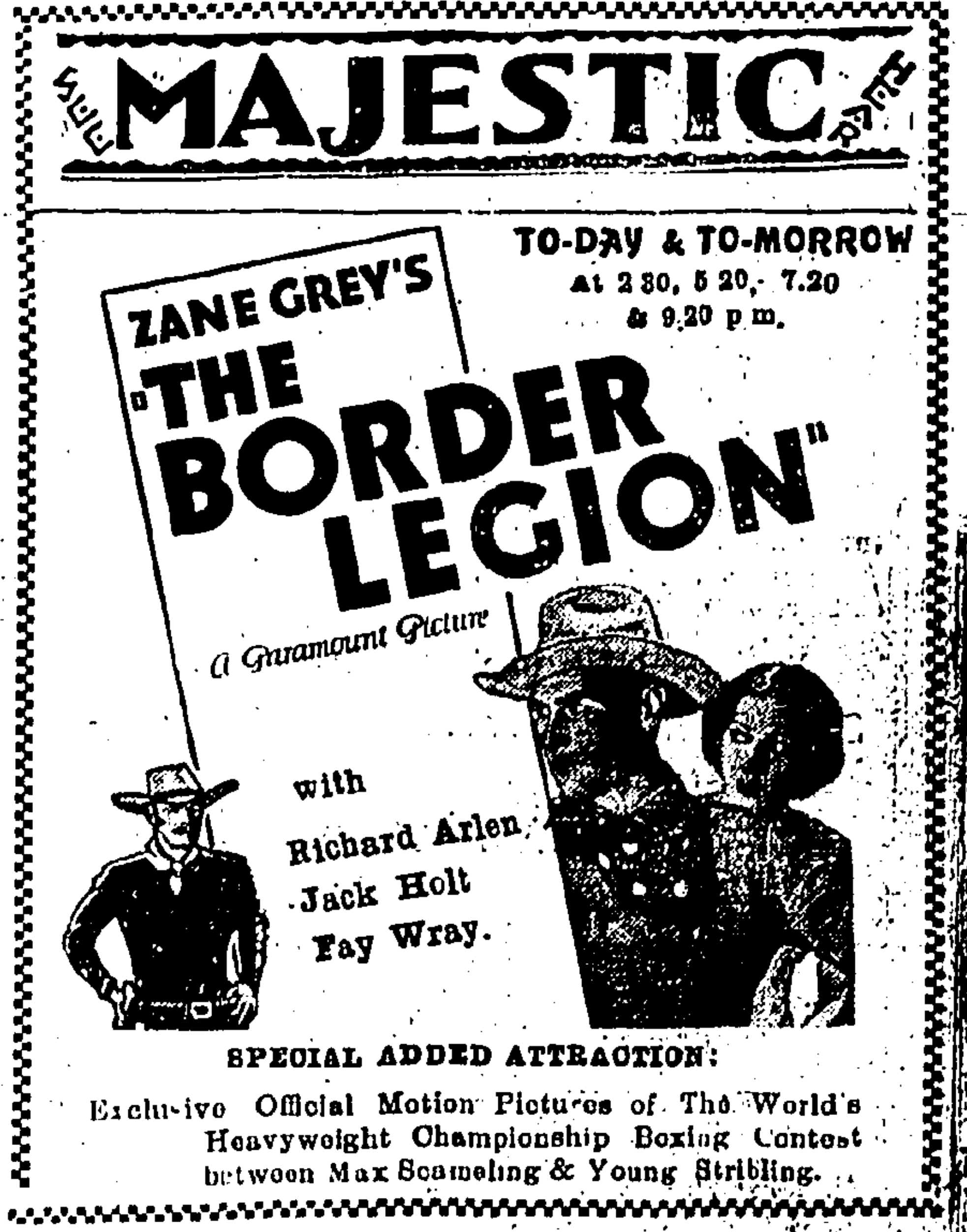
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The production is marked by splendid acting, in which Gilbert Emory and Betty Compston excel. They are both excellent throughout and have good support in the rest of the cast.

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